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City Will Rule on Mallen Appeal

By Rebecca Carnighan

Tuesday night saw the City Council's first public comment on the requested withdrawal of Sallyanne Mallen's appeal of her termination from her position as Planning Associate. The reaction was somewhat expected: After listening to three days of testimony on the matter, the Councilmembers intend to rule on it.

In a way, it was a meeting of good-byes, hellos, and changes. Tuesday night's meeting said good-bye to some long-time volunteers of the community, and welcomed new commissioners to its volunteer staff. Mayor James Hester presented plaques from the City of Sierra Madre to Jane Kisner and Ken Crawford for their service to the Library Board of Trustees. Hester remarked half jokingly that outside of the Council, the Library "spends more of the City's money than anyone, and they do it very well." Plaques were also given to Karen Nanning de Vries for her work with the Commission on the Aging, and to Corky Champlain and Lou Watanabe for their dedication to the Tree Commission, which Lou has Chaired since its inception. The Council also recognized the appointment of Barbara Cline to the Commission on the Aging, and to Denise Oen to the Library Board of Trustees.

Since Sallyanne Mallen attempted to withdraw her appeal, it seems that her appearance at the closed session of the meeting will be another good-bye. Mallen's attorney, Linda Thornton, requested the withdraw because Mallen feels that regardless of whether she wins her case, she will still suffer the same harassment and bias alleged in her appeal. Debra Bray, who argued the case for the City, opposed the withdrawal on the grounds that the City had proved its case, and wanted a ruling. A favorable ruling for the City would be useful in the forum of any other litigation, such as the looming federal lawsuit Mallen has filed. A non-ruling, however, would lose whatever advantage Bray believes the City gained during the three days of hearings.

City Attorney Charles Martin read a summary of the appeal, though Councilmembers were hesitant to make a decision with both Mallen and Thornton absent from the meeting. Martin noted that the Council had "discussed it with Miss Thornton while she was here (in closed session)," but they still tried unsuccessfully to reach her by phone before continuing with the discussion. Mayor Hester prefaced the discussion with the remark that the Council had "bent over backwards to be fair," and observed that those in the community both in favor of and opposed to Mallen's appeal said that the Council's "minds were open". The Council decided to not accept the withdrawal of appeal. Thornton was originally scheduled to file a closing brief 10 days after the hearing; instead, she submitted the request for withdrawal. Though the original deadline has passed, Thornton will be given an additional five days to file a closing brief, which Bray will have ten days to respond to, followed by another brief from Thornton five days after that, after which the Council will deliberate and finally rule.

Director of Public Works Bruce Inman brought a prop to his presentation at the Council meeting to introduce the Used Oil Recycling Pilot Program. He used alarge, plastic oil container to demonstrate how easy it would be for members of the Sierra Madre community to slip the container under their cars, empty the oil into the container, and then call for a pick-up. In order to qualify for the total amount of funding allotted by the State for this program, the City has to identify a certified oil reclamation center within its borders. City staff has suggested using City Hall's own maintenance facility, and they have begun to contact local automotive businesses to determine their level of interest in such a program.

The recycling program will allow Sierra Madre residents to easily, safely and legally dispose of their used motor oil at no additional cost to themselves. They would pick up the recycling containers at City Hall, and call the City for a pick-up when the container is full. Inman assured the Council that the "funding will be made available to us when called for," and estimated that the program would begin on October 1st.

Another good-bye looming on the horizon is that of Police Chief Joe Surgent, who stepped to the podium to give perhaps his final report to the Council. The next Councilmeeting, on September 23, will be Surgent's final one as Police Chief. Surgent gave a report on the Citizens Option for Police Safety program (COPS), which appropriates $100 million from the State's general fund for the purpose of ensuring public safety throughout California. The funds appropriated under COPS must be used for front line municipal services and not supplant existing funding. Sierra Madre is scheduled to receive $25,990 for the fiscal year 1997-98, with an addition of the existing balance of $14,649 plus $600 in interest from last year. Altogether, $41,239 will be appropriated into the COPS program.

As with last year, the monies in the supplemental fund will go to overtime staffing for extra patrol and crime prevention. Several purchases for the dispatch area are planned, to increase efficiency. As Chief Surgent said, "I wasn't going to spend the money just to spend it." The Police Department also plans to set aside some of the funds to purchase air time from Pasadena for their police helicopter. The emergency helicopter service is provided free of charge, but Chief Surgent plans to use extra air time for non-emergency crime prevention flights. The Council appropriated the monies contained in the budget addition as recommended, and unanimously agreed that they would miss Chief Surgent's reports.

City Goes High Tech to Save Money, Time

By Dan Oakes

Sierra Madre is modernizing two systems at City Hall, and the resulting efficiency will mean big City savings and improved service. The Public Works Department will see advances in the water telemetry and geographic information systems, each of which has been funded as a Capital Improvement Project.



Bruce Inman labors over blueprints in City Hall. By the end of the fiscal year, everything will become computerized. Matt Kincaid/SMN

The water telemetry system is being upgraded to what Public Works Director Bruce Inman and Public Works Supervisor Chris Cimino call 'current standards'. Funded in the last fiscal year's budget, the new system is expected to pay for itself, said Inman. Currently, water monitoring is done with a number of probes, each at a different level. Each switches either on or off depending on whether that particular probe is immersed in water. The probes are located in various pumps, reservoirs, and wells, with roughly 8-10 in each.

The new system will have one computerized unit in each source, which measures water pressure at the base and translates that information to volume. The source data is transmitted to a 'smart unit' which assimilates and interprets the data, and transmits them to the City's maintenance facility, and also to City Hall. "It's like the Internet," says Inman, "It's computers talking to each other."

There are six main locations for water sources, each with various pumps, reservoirs, and/or wells. The monetary saving will be in terms of power used, and the system will increase capabilities for off-peak pumping. Cimino estimates that by manually switching pumps, the City saved approximately $60,000 in energy costs last year; the computerized system will also save man-hours. The single-unit systems, which are more reliable, will also be easier to repair when needed.

The other technological advance which will see implementation soon is the Geographic Information Systems. Another computerization program, the G.I.S. is essentially a database. The City is purchasing a computer workstation and a computer plotter, as well as software, which includes a variety of packages. One of the software purchases will include AutoCad, a program which in addition to its usefulness as a component of G.I.S. can also be used for City drafting projects.

The system will include a map of the City, including each lot. The City structure information comes with the software purchased, and is provided by the County. Then comes the fun part. Every storm drain, sewer, water line, streetlight, tree, and just about everything else Public Works can think of will be superimposed on the City map. The program can be used for generating reports, implementing repair programs, or any other Public Works project. It won't entirely do away with blueprints, but will be "a vast improvement over what we have now," says Inman. If a project is taking place on a lot, instead of digging through the sewer blueprints...then the water line blueprints...then the storm drain blueprints...etc. etc., the lot can be called up, and all of things will appear in their proper place at a glance. "You do it once, and it's on the computer forever," says Inman.

The G.I.S. should be in place by June of 1998. The estimated amount which was budgeted as a Capital Improvement Project was $24,363. Said City Administrator John Davidson, "Both of these projects are going to pay for themselves in a very short period of time. They will save the City valuable resources, and maximize the use of City funds. Sierra Madre will continue to feel the benefits of these projects for many years to come."

Familiar Face, New Position

By Dan Oakes

It's probably not the reduced driving time that made Robin Kittilsen's new job seem so appealing. It's located about 50 yards from where her old one was. If you see a familiar face behind the counter at the Sierra Madre Police Department, that's for a good reason. Robin had been a business license clerk at City Hall since May, 1988. Now, however, she's been a dispatcher since August 14.

Dispatching is a job which Robin had her eye on for a while. Originally, the plan was to train her as a backup or relief dispatcher to cover ill or vacationing employees. However, says Robin, "A couple of positions became open, one thing led to another, and here I am." Here she is, a full-time dispatcher and welcome addition to the team.

Robin is currently training while on the job. In six to eight months, she will

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Sierra Madre Kiwanis Breakfast Fundraiser Saturday

When Sierra Madrean Kiwanians host their annual Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, Sept. 13, at Memorial Park, their emphasis will be on gleaning enough funds to donate $2,500 to the City Recreation Department for toys and equipment, $450 to the three Boy Scout troops in Sierra Madre, $500 toward work on Lizzie's Trail Inn, and $200 to Children's Hospital. The local club traditionally lives form "hand to mouth" annually, raising enough funds through several events during the year to organize projects benefiting children. Money that comes into the club's coffers goes out, after expenses, toward such projects. This year is no different, said Jack Hughes, club treasurer. "With the money we have already raised through Huck Finn Day, the Wisteria Fete and our July 4 booth, we hope to make enough at the pancake Breakfast, headed by Pat Kocisis, next year's president, will be held from 7 to 11 a.m. on Sept, 13, and the cost is $4 per person. Memorial Park is located a 222 West Sierra Madre Blvd. Tickets ar now available in sierra Madre from any Kiwanian, and from members of the city's three Boy Scout troops. Tickets can also be purchased at Webb-Martin Realtors, Sanwa Bank and Pantorium Cleaners. No monies raised form fundraising activities are used for club operations which are paid for with the monthly dues assessed to each Kiwanis member. "Besides our famous pancakes with plenty of butter and syrup, we plan to serve orange juice and coffee, and sausages," Kocsis said this week. Kiwanis Club presented the check for $500 to Dr. William White at last week's meeting, congratulating him for all the work he does at the historic Lizzie's Trail Inn in Sierra Madre. This $400 is in addition to the $1,000 given to White earlier this year for the Trail Inn project. Dr. White's medical office was located in Sierra Madre for many years before he moved to Arcadia.

Next Kiwanis Program

Rudy Hayek, co-owner of Sierra Health and Fitness, will be the featured speaker at the September 16 Sierra Madre Kiwanis program. As a specialist in exercise rehabilitation with a BA in Exercise Physiology, Rudy has extensive experience helping people begin and continue a fitness program. He will be discussing the benefits of physical fitness program and will be ready to answer your questions. Join the Kiwanis for lunch ($6) and an informative program at Masonic Temple, 33 E. Sierra Madre Blvd., beginning at 12:10 PM. If you would like to attend lunch, please call Toni Buckner 355-7186.

Rotary Club of Sierra Madre Chartered!

Early this year, a handful of men and women who live or work in Sierra Madre started meeting weekly to establish a Sierra Madre Rotary Club. A few months later, the club had 25 members attending its weekly breakfast meetings. Last month the newly formed Rotary Club of

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POLICE CALLS

September 4

10:00 a.m.: A merchant in the 00 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. advised the police that a female Hispanic woman with long dark hair and a chubby build, known to take money from restaurant tables, was spotted. The responding officer was unable to locate the subject.

7:33 p.m.: In the 200 block of Monte Vista Ln, a resident reported that his son had taken his car without permission and returned it with a dented door; he was notified that this complaint was civil, not criminal.

7:46 p.m.: In the 500 block of N. Sunnyside, a resident monitoring his house from work heard a noise and called police. The police discovered that some of the man's friends were in his back yard.

September 5

6:00 p.m.: In the 500 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd., three 911 calls were followed by hang-ups. It was a child playing with the phone.

September 6

4:08 a.m.: A resident in the 400 block of Sturtevant reported loud music at a party. The resident complied after the officers' arrival.

September 7

12:09 a.m.: A resident couldn't sleep due to loud kids in Kersting Court. She refused to give her name and address. The responding officer reported that the complaint appeared unfounded.

September 8

2:52 p.m. In the 200 block of S. Mountain Trail, a woman reported that her son was killing her daughter. The officer responding identified the reporting party as emotionally disturbed.

5:21 p.m. In the 00 block of S. Sunnysaide, a resident requested extra patrol due to threatening calls she had received at work.

September 9

9:46 p.m.: A woman reported that a friend of hers in the 00 block of Auburn was receiving threatening phone calls from her ex-boyfriend. The friend did not wish to file a report.

11:18 p.m. A resident reported a juvenile standing in the street in the 100 block of Esperanza. The resident also advised officers that a car full of juveniles had driven by playing loud music.

September 10

11:09 a.m. An Alta Dena resident reported a male subject smoking marijuana by a dumpster near an address in the 00 block of W. Sierra Madre Blvd. The responding officer was advised, "It's an ongoing occurence each day."

To The Editor:

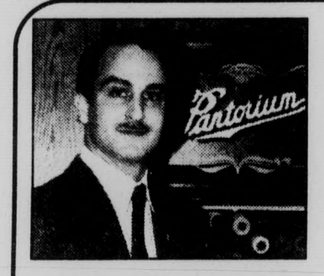
Tribute to Cecile Goodwin

Dear Editor,

A few weeks ago, Dan Oakes wrote and article on the " Hai" homestay program In Sierra Madre which has been a great success over the past 14 years. The article mentioned Cecile Goodwin in passing. I wanted to add my perspective as Celles's husband. For our family and for 23 others this year, as in past years, the three-week Hai program has literally been the high pint of our summer. It is so enriching, both to have a young college woman from Japan as our house guest and to have the opportunity to meet and socialize with the other Sierra Madre host families. It is a lifelong memory for most of us. This leads to the reason I wanted to write you. The Hai program has been a huge success in my opinion, primarily due to the efforts of one person, my wife, Cecile Goodwin. Cecile, Joy Wilson, President of Hai, and Marilynn Trounson, our neighbor and friend in town, designed the first program. Cecile introduced It and has refined it over the years to its current success. While many Japanese exchange programs have lost ground in recent years due to recent economic decline in Japan and other factors, the sierra Madre homestay continues to flourish, largely, I believe, due to Cecile's efforts and recently also to those of Bob Taillac, her co-director for the past two years, I think extensive credit and thanks needs also to go to Gail Skiles and Bob Alcorn, the Program Instructors Cecile recruited a number of years ago. As you can see I am very proud of Cecile. Almost anything she has put her mind to over the years, such as the Hai program, has been a real success! And I cannot overstate her successfully developing the Hai Program, while concurrently raising our family and working part-time!

Scott Goodwin

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Sierra Madre Chamber Of Commerce Block Party Hawaiian Style

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HOROSCOPES

September 11-17

Aries - March 21/April 20

The emphasis of the week will be on business. If you find yourself preoccupied with details of work, make sure you take a step back to see what's going on in your private life. Even though loved ones may be accustomed to your aloofness, it doesn't mean they like it.

Taurus - April 21/May 21

If you're hosting a party this week, it's sure to be a hit. Don't get stressed over the details. Instead, relax and have a good time. Make sure you're pulling your own weight in a business partnership. An uneven balance of responsibility could lead to resentment. Be disciplined when it comes to diet and exercise.

Gemini - May 22/June 21

A new romance may seem inviting, but you must know what you're getting into before diving in. Best to take one step at a time. Office gossip may make interesting lunchtime conversation, but it could also get you into heaps of trouble. A power struggle is likely in a friendship.

Cancer - June 22/July 22

Although you may pride yourself in keeping your word, it could prove both fruitless and costly this time. Think twice before making complicated promises. A new friend could be the source of inspiration for a creative endeavor. Choose your words carefully when dealing with officials.

Leo - July 23/August 23

Although Leos are not known to be the most practical sign of the Zodiac, this week that skill will be needed - especially when it comes to dollars and cents. If you are looking for a change in career, now's the time to lay the foundation. Planning for a social event will keep you busy.

Virgo - Aug 24/Sept 22

An unexpected source of income will come at just the right time, giving you the perfect excuse to indulge in a much-desired item. An innocent flirtation could backfire in a big way, especially if you're making eyes at a coworker. Do yourself a favor and resist temptation.

Libra - Sept 23/Oct 23

Setting unrealistic goals will only lead to disappointment. Remember, there's only 24 hours in each day, and you do have to leave some time for sleep. A club or association could lead you to a new circle of friends. A shift in priorities will be eminent at the week's end.

Scorpio - Oct 24/Nov 22

You may have to do some fancy talking to get out of an awkward situation as something you said a few weeks back may come back to haunt you. An Aries in-law may try your patience, but you'll be better off if you keep your cool. Try meditation as a way to relieve tension.

Sagittarius - Nov 23/Dec 21

A more carefree attitude will fill your week. With fewer worries and more free time, you'll be able to do what you've been putting off. A shift of power in the workplace could put you in a position of authority. Make sure you know what you're getting yourself into before committing to more responsibility.

Capricorn - Dec 22/Jan 20

News of a breakup will take you by surprise. You'll realize then not everyone's as happy as they may seem. A friend who stood by your side will need your help now. Make sure you're there for him/her. A change of procedure in the workplace will make life easier.

Aquarius - Jan 21/Feb 18

News from a friend in a faraway place will lift your spirits. You may decide that it's time to do some traveling. If you're looking for a new place to live, you may want to consider paying more for extra convenience. A love from your past may try to re-ignite the fire. Be cautious.

Pisces - Feb 19/March 20

Don't wear your heart on your sleeve in a romantic relationship or you could get burned. A restless mood could interfere with your productivity at work. Try to stay focused as much as possible. Good news about a family member will put your mind at ease.

Memory Lane

By Thomas Hutter

TRAP DOOR SPIDERS

One Saturday morning 48 or so years ago I decided I'd like to take a little hike up the Mount Wilson Trail. Mom said that it was o.k. for me to go if I was back home early. WOW! That was neat!

I went to my bedroom and put on my hiking shoes and filled my canteen with water and I was all ready to go. My younger brother, Jimmie came in and asked me where I was going. I told him I was going to take a hike and look for trap door spiders.

Well, Jimmie wanted to go with me. And he kept pestering and pestering until I finally said to him--go ask Mom and if its o.k with her I'll take you. Jimmie ran out to the kitchen and pleaded with Mom to let him go. Mom finally said o.k. Mom met me in the hall before we left and she asked me to take care of Jimmie and watch out for him because he was only six years old. I said o.k. What could go wrong, I'd been a big brother for a pretty long time, I could handle it.

I had Jimmie get a couple of mason jars out of the garage and we were ready to go. Off we went. We lived on North Mountain Trail so it wasn't far to go past Lizzie's Trail Inn and up the road to pick up the Mount Wilson Trail.

We went up the trail for a little while and we found a goodspot to hunt for trap door spiders. Trap door spiders make their burrows along the sides of the mountain in the decomposed granite and you really have to look hard to find their burrow holes. We found a real good spot and I showed Jimmie how to look for the spiders--you have to get up real close to the side of the mountain, along side the trail and look as close as you can to find the Trap Door which is the entrance to the burrow--it didn't take long and I found one. The lid was round and about the size of a quarter, the same color as the mountain, but it had a small ridge around it--that was the tell tale sign. I took out my pocket knife and stuck it in the ridge under the spiders lid--

through the hole. The knife blade lifted up to expose the inside of the lid and that old spider was stuck on the lid. IT SCARED ME!

That was a big old spider. My knife blade slipped and the lid came down--spider and all. Jimmy and I were all excited and scared too. But I was going to get that spider in the jar one way or another. I stuck my knife blade under the lid again and tried to open the trap door but it wouldn't move. I struggled with the knife blade stuck in the hole until the knife blade bent. I finally got the lid to raise a little bit and the spider was holding on to it from the inside--BOY! He was strong.

I let that spider sit there holding the lid. I took my knife and dug around the hole to get the spider's tunnel. Ifollowed the tunnel down for about twelve inches and dug up the tunnel with the lid still attached, and I popped it out of the ground. I had Jimmie help me put it in one of the jars. We had our spider.

It was getting a little late and Mom wanted us back early so we headed down the trail. On the way back I noticed water running down a little creek not far below where we were walking. I told Jimmie to wait while I went down to check the little creek for fish. I scampered down the embankment and looked in the water. There were lots of little trout in the water and even few salamanders. I yelled to Jimmie up on the trail to come down and see what I had found. Jimmie was scared to come down because it was a little steep but I was so excited by the fish that I really wanted him to see, especially the salamanders. I was excited and I told him to come on and I would catch him. Well, gravity has rules that boys don't understand. Jimmie came down a little too fast and I missed catching him and he landed in the water.

Immediately, I got scared. Mom told me to take care of Jimmy and there he was--sitting in the middle of the creek. He was wet all over.

What was I going to do? I couldn't take Jimmie home like that. Mom would skin me bald-headed. What was I going to do?

Utilizing my superior twelve year old intellect or instinct I decided to roll Jimmie in the dry sand, to dry him off. Ichecked him to see if he was hurt and he didn't think so, so I gave him a good rub down with the sand. I helped Jimmie back up on the trail and we headed back down the trail towards home.

Mom met us at the door, and Boy! was she mad. I looked fine; the spider, the jar and myself. Poor little Jimmie still looked like a drowned rat covered with dirt. I don't think I got spanked for that one but after that my escapades with Jimmie were few and far between.

That evening at the dinner table Jimmie told everybody how much fun we had hunting trap door spiders and didn't mention about getting wet or sandy. God Bless Him.

Pollution Prevention Week

"Together - pollution prevention works!" That's the message from coordinators of the fifth annual Pollution Prevention Week, September 15 - 21st". Across the nation, local governments, state agencies, businesses, and others are teaming up to hold events that celebrate and promote the benefits of pollution prevention. Pollution Prevention (P2) is recognized as an effective tool for protecting the environment since it serves to eliminate pollution at the source before it is generated. "For industry, utilizing P2 techniques can result in more efficient less-polluting industrial processes that improve competitiveness and the environment," said Leif Christensen with the Local Government Commission, the non-profit organization coordinating P2 Week statewide. "For the public, practicing P2 in the home, in the garden, and on the road through activities such as using less-toxic cleaning supplies, purchasing and electric mower and carpooling to work can help improve the quality of the local environment." One goal of P2 Week is to make pollution prevention a more popular option with industry and the public. Organizers are achieving this goal through holding workshops and "clean shop" tours, distributing P2 fact sheets and manuals, and airing radio PSAs and other media outreach. For example, the City of Sierra Madre will be holding a tree planting event on September 16, in front of the elementary school, and will make P2 fact sheets available at the citizenry at several of its buildings, such as City Hall, the Recreation Center, Library and Senior center. The City recognizes that although trees do not prevent pollution, they are very instrumental in the removal of existing pollution, providing us with cleaner air and water. Those with questions or comments or suggestions for future events may contact Patty Brinkmann in the department of Public Works at (626)355-7135. P2 Week is sponsored and supported by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9, the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the California Air Resources Board, the Consortium of California Pollution Prevention Committees, and the National Pollution Prevention Roundtable.

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"Blazing Saddles" shown Friday, Sept. 19

The Mel Brooks comedy classic "Blazing Saddles" will be shown in Memorial Park on Friday, September 19 at sundown. This movie is the last of the summer movies series, and is sponsored by Pantorium Cleaners in Sierra Madre. The movies stars Gene Wilder, Harvey Korman, and Madelin Kahn. It is rumored that the Sierra Madre Volunteer Firefighters Assn. may offer a pork & beans dinner just before the movie begins. Adequately talented movie-waters who partake of this dinner may be able to add their own sound effects to the "campfire" scene in the movie. As an added attraction, the evening will also feature two short films (before Blazing Saddles) dedicated to the Sierra Madre Fire Department. Movie fans are reminded to bring a "Walkman" or portable FM radio to hear the soundtrack, since no P.A. system is used. Contact: Hank Landsberg 355-3656

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Dispatching Robin

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take a two-week State-mandated course. In the meantime, she is being trained by Officer Dunsmith. The new job has many facets, including taking incoming 911 calls, dealing with walk-ins, dispatching police, fire, and medical units, and more. Although currently, on the swing shift, most of her calls are somewhat mundane, dealing with overnight parking questions and calls concerning citations, there is always the potential for the emergency call. Following further training, she will assume the graveyard shift.

How is the job going so far? "I'm extremely happy," Robin says. Her favorite part of the job is "the satisfaction of knowing that you're there to try to help someone in the event of an emergency." She added, "It's definitely a big change to come to the Police Department from City Hall."

Robin used to live in Sierra Madre, and currently isn't far away, in Temple City with her husband and 13 year old son. When not at work for Sierra Madre, she enjoys boating at the Colorado River, as well as attending her son's sporting events. Don't look for her to replace retiring Chief Joe Surgent. Says Robin, "I have no plans to become a Police Officer. I love my job, but this is as far as I'd like to go in the department."



Robin Kittilsen, of the Sierra Madre Police Department is being trained for a new job. Robin looks forward to her new position as dispatcher. Matt Kincaid/SMN

Retirement Reception of Chief Surgent

You are cordially invited to attend a Retirement Reception recognizing Chief of Police Joseph Surgent Friday, September 26, 1997, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Rotunda, 232 W. Sierra Madre Blvd. Please R.S.V.P. to City Hall (626) 355-7135 by September 22, 1997.

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Martin Property Preserved

The Sierra Madre Mountain Conservancy ("SMMC") has announced that approximately 14 acres of hillside above the City of Sierra Madre previously slated for development, will forever remain in its current natural state. Herb Stroh, president of the conservancy, announced to the Sierra Madre Rotary Club that the Lawson Martin properties are being acquired by the City, and That the conservancy will obtain a "conversation easement" over the land. Stroh explained that the purchase was funded under the Los Angeles, county Beaches and Park Bond act of 1992. The bond act allocates up to $3.2, million dollars for "acquisition of natural lands to preserve critical habitat, trails and scenic view points " overlooking the City of Sierra Madre. The parcels are accessible by the Chantry Flats Road, just above the gate. Efforts to develop ;the property sparked tremendous controversy in sierra Madre, leading to the Hillside Moratorium and the eventual enactment of the Hillside Ordinance. Stroh noted that the proposed development also served as the catalyst for creation of SMMC. SMMC is a nonprofit corporation formed in 1989 with the mission to preserve and protect foothill property in and above the City of Sierra Madre for the benefit of future generations. In 1995, the conservancy negotiated for the purchase of 13 acres of hillside which encompassed the trail head to the Mount Wilson trail. Similar to the Martin project, the City has legal title to the land, and SMMC holds a conservation easement preventing development of the parcel in perpetuity. Earlier this year SMMC closed a 12 acres purchase adjacent to the private road known as sunrise Hill, near Camilo. The property was the subject of a lawsuit among ;the three landowners, one of which sought to develop the parcel with several large custom homes. Because the land would have a tremendous impact on sierra Madre Viewshed, SMMC devoted a substantial amount of time and effort to put a deal together palatable to all three owners. Eventually the litigation was resolved by sale of the property to the city, funded by County Bond Act funds. A conservation easement likewise protects this property form future development. Stroh also announced that John Maddox will be completing a donation of 40 acres of pristine hillside. The parcel is located at the top of Auburn, and is considered by SMMC to be one of its top priority areas for open space preservation.

The gift, originally proposed by Jan Maddox before her death, will be completed in the next few months. SMMC has been in contact with all foothill landowners to gauge their interest in sale or donation for preservation purposes. In progress is the possible acquisition of the back, steeper portions of the Willis Trust property above Baldwin Ave. Although an effort was made

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The New General Plan

Dear Property Owner:

The City of Sierra Madre and the Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce are considering ideas for the enhancement and improvement of the downtown business district, including the areas of Kersting Court, Sierra Madre Blvd., Baldwin Avenue, and east Montecito Avenue. Our goal is not to propose dramatic changes, but, rather, to seek subtle improvements that would make those four vital areas more viable business spaces. In particular, east Montecito seems to be an area that is open to redevelopment efforts that would enhance the properties and make the area a more vibrant business community.

The new General Plan contains a number of policies to promote redevelopment, especially of the east Montecito area, and the city is considering important changes and land use for this area and for the downtown area.

While we have no specific ideas as to improvements to these areas, we do think that there are ways that they could be redeveloped, with your participation. Some funds exist that could be put to some improvements, but property owners must also contribute financially. At the same time, of course, it is important that property owners have a voice in what kinds of changes are made, if any.

The City and the Chamber are also working together to identify potential new tenants for the vacant spaces in the downtown area and are talking to landlords about any ways they might be more flexible in their rental policies and rental charges for new tenants.

We seek your input on these important topics. We invite you to a short meeting on Thursday, September 25, at 7:00 p.m. at City Hall to share ideas about downtown property improvements and space occupancy. This will be an informal and open discussion, with no specific agenda. We hope you can join us, and we look forward to seeing you there.

Please RSVP to City Hall at 355-7135.

Thank You

James Hester, Mayor

Ann Luke, President, Sierra Madre Chamber of Commerce

Rotary Club of Sierra Madre Chartered!

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Sierra Madre was officially chartered with Rotary International. To celebrate this one-time event, the Members of the new club are hosting a private gala in the Villa at Alverno High school on November 16th. Since the club's inception, weekly meetings have included local speakers from the Passionist Fathers Monastery, Charisma (Rose Parade) Floats, City of Sierra Madre Finance Department, CLIMB, Sierra Madre Elementary School, British Home of Sierra Madre, Los Angeles, Times, and Sierra Madre's Library Board. Since 1917, the main objective of Rotary has been service -- in the community and throughout the world. Rotarians build goodwill and peace, provide humanitarian service, and encourage high ethical standards in all vocations. The Rotary motto is "Service Above Self". The Sierra Madre Club's service is directed toward scholarships for local youth with leadership potential. The club meets every Tuesday morning at 7:00 am at the Only Place In Town Restaurant in Sierra Madre, and welcomes prospective members. If you are interested in joining the 1.2 million other International Rotarians, or for more information, please call any of the club's officers: Gregg Freedman President 355-0662 Rob Stockly Membership 355-3760 Louise Calaway Secretary 355-6681 Tom Hale Treasurer 355-6066 Susan Nunnery Club Service 355-5680

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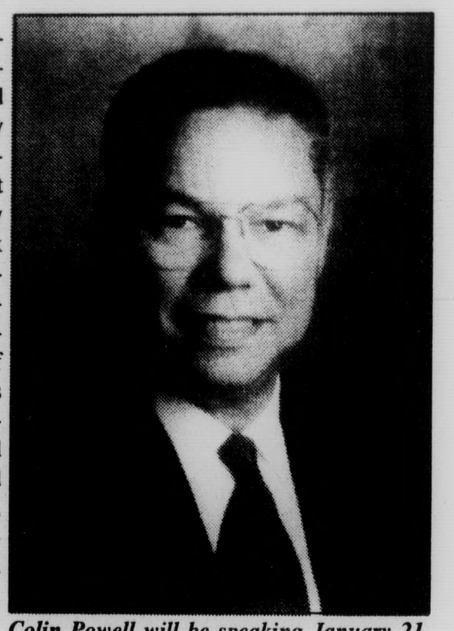
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Ann Richards will be speaking November 6, 1997 at 8:00 p.m.

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Colin Powell will be speaking January 21, 1998 at 8:00 p.m.

Sierra Madre VFW

The Sierra Madre VFW Post #3208 invites their community, to a Free Seminar about Living Trust on Thursday, October 7th at 7:00 PM. Understand the differences between a Will & Living Trust! Keep you and your family from Probate, With a Living Trust you can avoid taxes and conservatorship! The "Free Seminar " will be located at the Post, 40 East Montecito Avenue, Sierra Madre. AAIP , one of California's largest providers of "Living Trusts", will be presenting the seminar. The "Living Trust" offered at the seminar costs $399.00 complete, no notary charge or any charges for changes for the lifetime of the trust. Beat The Price Increase Coming Soon. If you currently have a will, you still need to attend. Please call Adene at 800-223-8787 for further information & reservations.

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The Sierra Madre Senior Citizens Club meets every Saturday, 11:30 a.m. & 3 p.m. at the Memorial Park House Senior Center. Bring your own lunch; coffee is served. Card playing, speakers, entertainment, field trips and special events.

Sierra Madre Garden Club dinner meeting & program, 2nd Monday, 6:30 p.m., Senior Center. Dinner $6.50. Reservations 355-0772.

Sierra Madre Chorale meets every Monday, 7:30 p.m. at the Sierra Madre United Methodist Church Choir Room.

The Sierra Madre Recycling Center, located at the rear of [illegible] Sierra Madre Blvd., accepts aluminum cans and mixed [illegible] including [illegible] and telephone [illegible] Proceeds will be [illegible] Girl Scouts and Western [illegible]

[illegible] Hall, [illegible] for senior citizens. [illegible] 2nd Monday of every month.

For a Bulletin Board Listing or a Take Note Listing - Call 355-3324

It's Time to Get In The Spirit!

Mark your calendar for September 27 for the Spirit Day Carnival hosted by St. Rita's School. The time is 12:00 noon to 11:00 p.m.. There will be food, including a barbecued steak dinner with all of the trimmings, Bingo, dancing, a raffle & auction, and of course oodles and oodles games. So you see, it is a don't miss day! Come join in the fun.

Book Release

Holy Angels School will be hosting a Book fair on Sunday, September 14, from 8:30 am to 1:30 am in the Church Patio. A wide selection of books will be available for ages Pre-K through adult, with no books priced over $8.00 Proceeds from the Book Fair will directly benefit the school. Holy Angles School is located at 360 campus Drive (SE Corner of Campus and Holly). The patio is located behind the church adjacent to the parking lot.

Panhellenic Plans Potluck

Foothill Area Alumnae Panhellenic will begin its 1997-98 year with a "get re-acquainted" potluck dinner at the home of Janet Peters. Alternating luncheon with evening meetings, Panhellenic meets on the third Wednesday of every month, highlighting its meetings with varied programs of interest to members. Each year it provides memberships to qualified senior girls from local high schools planning to attend four year colleges or universities. All interested alumnae of national sororities are invited to participate in the organization. For more information about the group call President Sandy Killian at 626 446-6908.

SIERRA MADRE FIRE DEPT.

The Sierra Madre Fire Dept. responded to 16 calls from Saturday, Aug. 30, 1997 through Sunday, Sept. 7, 1997.

Sat. Aug. 30, 1997

11:09 a.m. - Fire Call, 300 blk W. Laurel Ave., suspicious odor.

12:22 p.m. - Fire Call, 100 blk W. Mira Monte Ave., vehicle fire. One patient left in own care.

5:15 p.m. - Medical Call, 200 blk N. Baldwin Ave., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

6:16 p.m. - Medical Call, 200 blk E. Orange Grove Ave., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

9:20 p.m. - Service Call, 300 blk W. Laurel Ave., suspicious order.

Sun., Aug. 31, 1997

1:07 p.m. - Medical Call, 100 blk E. Montecito Ave., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

4:06 p.m. - Medical Call, 200 blk W. Montecito Ave., patient assist only.

Mon., Sept. 1, 1997

5:29 p.m. - Fire Call, 100 blk Vista Circle Dr., smoke scare from barbecue.

Tues., Sept. 2, 1997

3:09 p.m. - Medical Call, 600 blk E. Sierra Madre Bl., patient transported to St. Luke Hosp.

7:35 p.m. - Medical Call, 500 blk N. Baldwin Ave., patient left in own care

Wed., Sept. 3, 1997

11:05 p.m. - Medical Call, 200 blk W. Sierra Madre Bl., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

Thurs., Sept. 4, 1997

4:50 p.m. - Medical Call, 100 blk W. Sierra Madre Bl., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

Fri., Sept. 5, 1997

10:36 a.m. - Medical Call, 300 blk E. Laurel Ave., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

8:01 p.m. - Fire Call, 100 blk Vista Circle Dr., wires down.

8:19 p.m. - Medical Call, 400 blk W. Sierra Madre Bl., patient transported to Arcadia Meth. Hosp.

Sat., Sept. 6, 1997

10:46 p.m. - Fire Call, 2000 blk Lilliano Dr., flooded condition.

Sun. Sept. 7, 1997

No Calls

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Pam & Friends In concert

"Pam & Friends in concert" is a delightful combination of music and dance form Broadway and Hollywood. Pamela Sackett will be performing many favorite ballads with a few comedy numbers. She has performed in over fifty productions including several at the Sierra Madre Playhouse. Her friends include writer/comedian Carolyn English (of Burbank) who will perform a stand-up comedy routine first. The multi-talented cast Nick Cacarnakis (of Pasadena), Anne Curran (of Burbank), Verna Chilton (of Sierra Madre), and Steve Woods (of Pasadena), join in song and dance. Anne Curran is also featured as an award winning dancer of Celtic music. Barry Schwam (of Sierra Madre) acts as technical director. Music is provided through special arrangement with Music Minus One. There will be only four performances and seating is limited. Performances are Thursday, September 18 at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, September 20 at 2:30 p.m. Sunday, September 21 & 28 at 7:30 p.m. Admission: Adults: $10.00, Seniors and Students $9.00, Children under 12 $7.00. "The sound of Music" is the current alternating show. For reservations and more information call (626)355-4318



"Pam & Friends in Concert" is playing at the Sierra Madre Playhouse. Call 355-4318 for times.

"Historic Sites" 5K Set for Pioneer Days

Walk...run...ride...but don't miss the chance to take part in the Pioneer Days 5K "Historic Sites" event early on Sun., Nov. 8.

With an 8 a.m. starting time, participants will be able to finish in time to enjoy the many other Pioneer Day activities planned that day.

The route of the 5K event wanders through Sierra Madre and past more than a dozen "historic sites." Plans include posting descriptions of the historical significance of each site where people can read them as they pass. This may not contribute to any record-breaking speeds in the 5K, but is sure to add to the fun!

Two village organizations well skilled in planning and staffing important races are in charge of the 5K. They are the Mt. Wilson Trail Race Association and the Sierra Madre Civic Club. Members of both groups have devoted hours of their volunteerism to the annual Mt. Wilson Trail Race held here for many years on Memorial Weekends.

The culmination of Pioneer Days, a tradition being revived to mark the 90th anniversary of the city's incorporation, will be on the weekend of Nov. 8-9. A few of the other vintage events planned are a horseless carriage display, a quilt show, a soapbox derby, firemen's mini muster, a dance, and various special meals.

Watch for further announcements to sign up for the 5K, or to plan to enjoy the Pioneer Day celebration.

The Sierra Madre News is a proud sponsor of the Pioneer Days Historic 5K—See Page 8 for Official Entry Form

Local Artists to Provide Art Demonstrations

Creative Arts Group is hosting a program called "Art in the afternoon" on September 13 from 3:00 to 6:00 P.M. Ten local artists, all teachers at the center, will be on hand to show visitors what is involved in creating their special art works, everything from watercolors and oil painting to tin smithing and jewelry making. The public is invited. There is no charge. In addition to the art demos, guests will be able to do hands-on projects in a variety of art media, including mixed-media projects for children. Guests of all ages will have an opportunity to make tole bird houses or suncatchers, guided by teachers at the center. To round out the afternoon, this free program will also feature food for dining on the patio. Artists who will be demonstrating their works include Thelma Bohnsack, oil painting; Ansley Davies, tin smithing, Mary Fletcher, beaded jewelry, Ken Jackson, calligraphy, Carolyn Phillips, tole painting, George Molina Sr., air brush techniques, Mary D[illegible]urgh, print making, Anne Sears, ceramics, Dorothy Campbell, jewerlry , and Joseph Stoddard, water color. Guests may take part in one or more of the projects, observe the "artists" at work, or visit the gallery-two rooms filled with items for sale ranging from jewelry to ceramics, from paintings to clothing, and variety of other items made on the site. The program is held to celebrate the nonprofit organizations's 37th year. Creative Arts Group was formed to encourage creative development for children and adults, with classes in the arts and programs demonstrating various art forms. The center is at 108 North Baldwin. For further information, call (626)355-8350.

AYSO Result!

The first AYSO report of the year has trickled into the office. In Boys Region 2 Division 4, Speed blitzed past the Goldminers, 5-1. Mark Orcholski got Speed on the board, Pete Cebellos added a hat trick, and Scott Salazar scored also for the winners. No word on who scored the Goldminers' third-quarter goal.

Historic Mural Painting Offered at Creative Arts Group

Creative Arts Group, a non-profit art center, is offering Historic Mural Painting for ages 10 and older. This wonderful, one of a kind class is being offered in conjunction with Sierra Madre Pioneer Days. Students will learn the techniques of mural painting while painting historic scenes of Sierra Madre on one of Creative Arts Group's garage walls. All the processes of mural work will be included, from transferring the design from paper to wall to the clear coat finish. The mural will be unveiled on Nov. 8, as part of Creative Arts Group celebration of Pioneer Days. All boys and girls should enjoy this wonderful class. Instructor Norma Richman holds a Master's degree from CSULA and has studied with muralist Kent Twitchell.

Creative Arts Group is located at 108 N. Baldwin Ave in Sierra Madre, and offers art classes for both adults and children. Fall session begins the week of Sept. 22 for eight weeks. Come in and visit CAG between between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. to pick up a free brochure, or call (626) 355-8350 for information.

Martin Property Preserved

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by the conservancy to acquire the entire parcel, no agreement could be reached. Nevertheless, SMMC remains hopeful that the "billygoat' portion of the property will be acquired for preservation purposes. Contact has also been initiated with the owner of 12 acre Corum Ranch property, the Passionist Fathers in regard to a 40 acre parcel they hold, as well as other hillside landowners. Stroh noted that there is some urgency in arranging future purchases, since bond act funding will expire in July of 1998. Thus for approximately $1.5 of the $3.2 million dollars has been expended. Any sums not committed by July of next year will be lost. Stroh also indicated that the City of Sierra Madre is itself the largest owner of hillside property, with nearly 1,100 acres. SMMC plans to approach the City in October to request that the land be protected with a conservation easement to assure that it will remain in its natural state for future generation or our community. The current board of directors of the SMMC Herb Stroh, Caroline Brown, Terry Bing, Carl Teigler, George Maurer, Bill Thompson, Bruce Crow, Spencer Edwards, George Enyendi, and Charles Corp. Former members are Randy Taylos, Ann White, and Waltz Teilman, SMMC is always accepting new members. Requests for information should be sent to SMMC, Box 283, sierra Madre, Calif., 91025

Historic Trail Hike To Wilson's Peak to see the Telescopes

Saturday, October 11, 1997

Hike the Old Mt. Wilson Trail via the route of the first Telescope (1889) to the Top

Start at Day Break — "Lizzie's" Trail Side Inn, Sierra Madre.

The hike will go past the "Clay Banks", site of "Red Box", and the site of "Quarterway" (The Old Trading Post).

9:30 A.M. — Rest stop at the site of "Orchard Camp" (1864)

the hike then will ascend the steep trail to site of Martin's Camp and nearby "Harvard Peak."

11:30 A.M. — Arrive at the site of "Martin's Camp"

12 o'clock — Meet at "The Pavilion" - The site of the old Mt. Wilson Hotel

Lunch with John Robinson — Mountain historian and author (bring your own lunch)

1:00 — Tour of the Telescopes — Go inside the dome and see the world famous 100 inch Telescope.

2:30 - 3:00 — Leave the mountain top via automobile for Lizzie's Trail Inn Museum in Sierra Madre.

Information - Lizzie's Trail Inn — Volunteers

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Sierra Madre Dept. Of Recreation Michelle Keith (626) 355-7135

Sierra Madre Mountain Conservancy

Note: If you are unable to hike up and would like to join the lunch with John Robinson at the top and tour the Telescopes, please call us. We need drivers to return hikers back to Sierra Madre. Call (626) 355-8129.

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On Stage

By Mary Cogswell-Baum



Opera Woos Audiences

There is still an impression floating around that grand opera is only for the rarefied taste, the obligatory enthusiasm of the elite, but in these casual times, while the elite and their money are more than welcome (opera being an expensive business), it must appeal to a much broader section of society in order to survive. There are distinct advantages to this attitude.

To understand and appreciate opera, it is now necessary to know what is going on. The music of any opera is carefully attuned to the natural rhythms and sounds of the language in which it was written, so translation, if necessary, is an awkward business and few translated librettos sing properly. The current practice of putting English "titles" above the proscenium arch solves that problem more smoothly than one might expect. Now the audience can not only follow the story more accurately but laugh at the jokes and appreciate the ironies.

No longer may robust figures in elaborate costume stand center stage to deliver their arias and bow to applause, even if some operas were obviously designed for the practice. Modern audiences demand more realism than that, even from emperors and gods, and especially from believable plots such as Puccini's: where a geisha is abandoned by the Navy man she loves, a society singer is threatened by a corrupt chief of police, or a poet starving in an attic loses his love to the demands of hunger and health.

This last plot belongs to "La Boheme", now in Los Angeles' opera house, the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion in the LA Music Center. As the most popular opera in a large repertoire, "La Boheme" is celebrating 100 years of performance in this country. It seems that an Italian company, on its way to South America, gave one performance in Los Angeles in 1897.

The current production uses the same set and many of the same costumes as LA Opera's 1993 production, and very handsome they are. The cast involves 10 principal singers, a 47 member chorus, 14 singing children, 24 supernumeraries (a movie studio would call them "extras"), 5 "super-" children, a total of 101 people, not to mention a 12 piece stage band. Almost of these 113 people are on stage in the same lively second act. Throw in a 67 piece pit orchestra and you can see why opera becomes expensive. Then there are the backstage people who change the sets, move the curtains, dress and make up the performers, keep track of the things they handle, coordinate the timing, control the sound and display the titles. It's a small army! And a major miracle if everything goes exactly as planned.

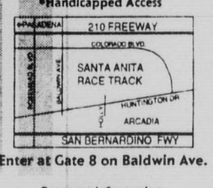
The only Big Name in this production is in the orchestra pit as tenor Placido Domingo conducts the first three performances, but an exciting cast of talented young singers give the old war-horse freshness.

Puerto Rican soprano Ana Maria Martinez makes a fragile but full-voiced Mimi, and Greg Fedderly is the young poet who loves her. Their duets are magical, Rodney Gilfry is his stalwart roommate and Albanian Inva Mula not only glitters through Musetta's waltz but makes a fine comedienne. All the roles are not only sung but acted well. The intricate crowd scenes manage to have lots of detail without being distracting and set designer Gerard Howland has given them lots of interesting places to go.

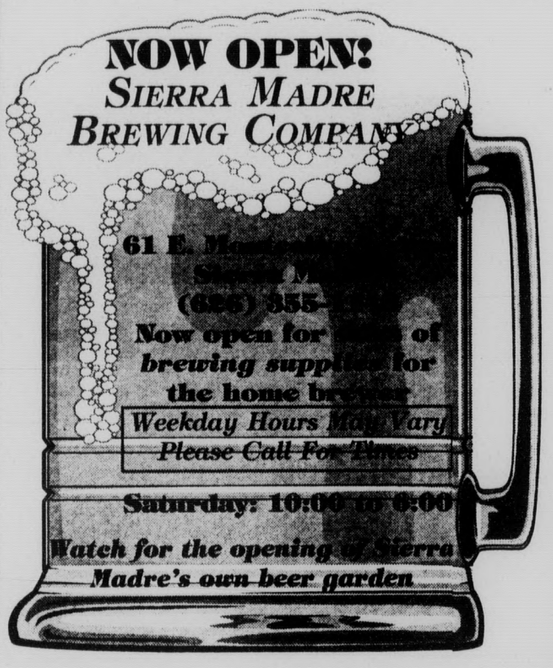
It's a beautiful and touching production with some of opera's most lushly expressive music.

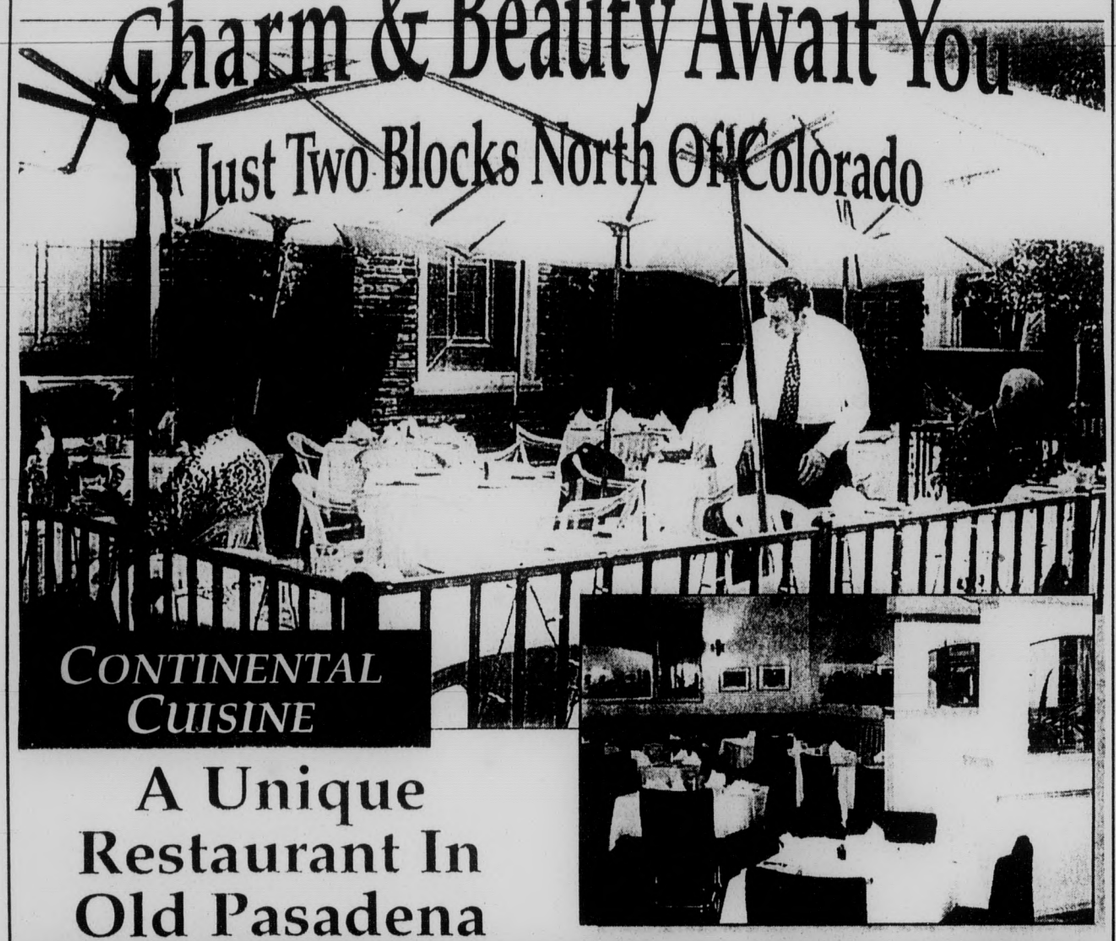
Performances are Sept. 6,12,16,19,and 24 at 7:30. with a matinee at 2: on the 24th. Tickets are best obtained at the Pavilion box office and soon! It's a popular show.

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To See- Or Not To See

By Karol Ballard

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Once upon a time there was a British royal who was hounded by guerrilla journalists during a frowned-upon romance. There were rumors of drunkenness and scoffable Prince of Wales.

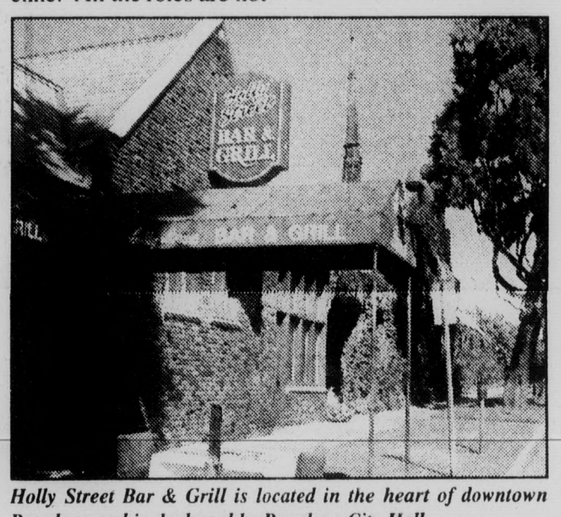
While her subjects begged for her to return to London, the superfluous queen hid out at Balmoral Castle. Eerily enough, we're talking about the 1860's, the reign of Queen Victoria. Her Majesty's horseman, Mr. Brown, is the irrepressible Scotsman who becomes her best friend and the royal court's main pain.

Great acting, great scenery, and weird, weird deja vu.

Good Family...Good Food...Good Fun: Holly Street

By Dan Oakes

"If there's a reason to celebrate, we'll host it," says Lexanne Wigmanich of the Holly Street Bar and Grill. From receptions to graduations to showers and more, Holly Street has the room and the food to accomodate any celebration. Holly Street Bar and Grill is family owned and operated, as Lexanne is joined by mother Alexis Nassif and grandmother Anne Nassif. When I say *any* celebration, that's what I mean. Weddings are actually held on premises, under the stars on the patio. The folks at Holly Street Bar and Grill also act as wedding coordinators.



Holly Street Bar & Grill is located in the heart of downtown Pasadena and is shadowed by Pasadena City Hall.

It just wouldn't be right to write about a restaurant without having experienced the food firsthand, so I dropped by last night for dinner. The piano was playing in the background when I stepped in (classical and flamenco guitar is also provided) and very warm, very fresh, very tasty bread was brought to the table while I perused an extensive menu. The house salad was very tasty, and I selected the New Mexico Fettucini. The dish was prepared to perfection (all pasta is homemade) and the sauce it was prepared in was as good as the pasta and chicken was fresh.

If there's one problem with Holly Street Bar and Grill, it's that the menu looks too good. It's annoying to have to select just one item from the menu, but the alternative is to eat one of everything and get sick, so I stuck with the New Mexico Fettucini. If I were to try everything that appealed to me, this article would be a year-long continuing series, where I went back weekly for Chicken Breast A L'Orange, Poached Alaskan Salmon, Tabouli, Smoked Chicken Quesadilla, Chinese Chicken Salad, Black Bean Soup, etc. etc.. On second thought...maybe that's not such a bad idea.

If for any reason you didn't want to have your party on the premises, Holly Street Bar and Grill also caters. But stop in and check out the live background music, the art on the wall which rotates every three months or so, the decorative and fully stocked bar, and the attentive staff. Special promotions also include murder mysteries, 'Cigar Nights', and drawings to win tickets to the Pasadena Playhouse.

Holly Street Bar and Grill is located (ironically enough) on Holly Street in Pasadena, two blocks North of Colorado between Fair Oaks and Marengo. Hours are M-Th 11:00-2:30 and 4:30-9:00, F-Sa 11:00-2:30 and 4:30-10:30, and Sunday from 10:00-2:30 and 4:30-9:00. Stop by once, and you'll become a regular.

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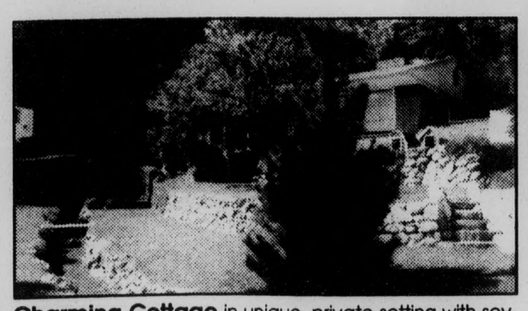
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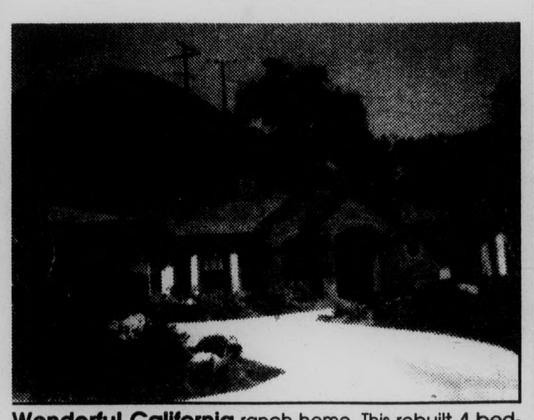


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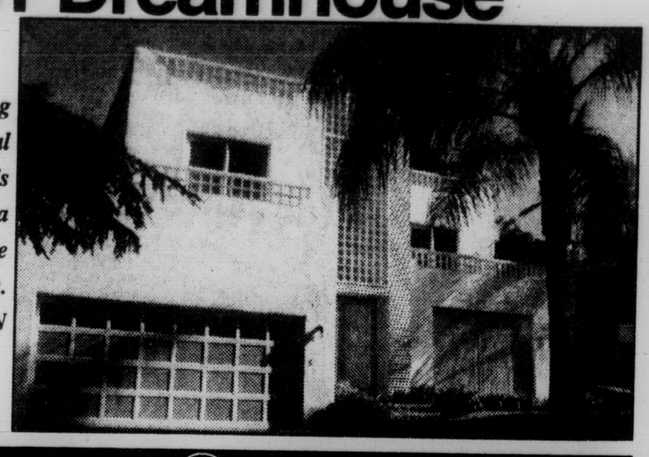
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High-Tech Dreamhouse

By Dan Oakes



This home is being sold by Prudential Preferred and is one of Sierra Madre's eye catching homes. Matt Kincaid/SMN

The flier on the home at 289 E. Alegria in Sierra Madre says, "Must be seen to appreciate all of its unique features." For once, the subject lives up to the billing. Says Reni Rose of The Prudential Preferred Properties, who just listed the house last month, "Someone is going to fall in love with this house."

Walking to the front door, you can tell something's not quite right. The front door looks...well, broken. That's because it is, sort of. It's made of glass. Lots of glass. Between two thick plates of glass, the door features broken glass. The shimmering, semi-opaque effect is both attractive and unique.

The first thing you notice after you enter the house is the waterfall. Yes, AFTER you enter the house. The indoor waterfall, controlled by a button on the wall, draws your eyes up to its third-floor summit, 21 feet in the air. The waterfall comes down into a reflecting pool next to the kitchen, which includes a stainless steel bar around a Blue Pearl granite counter. Stools mounted in the floor surround the bar and give the kitchen what Rose calls a "soda shop atmosphere of informal entertaining with the highest quality materials."

The living room contains a floor-to-ceiling

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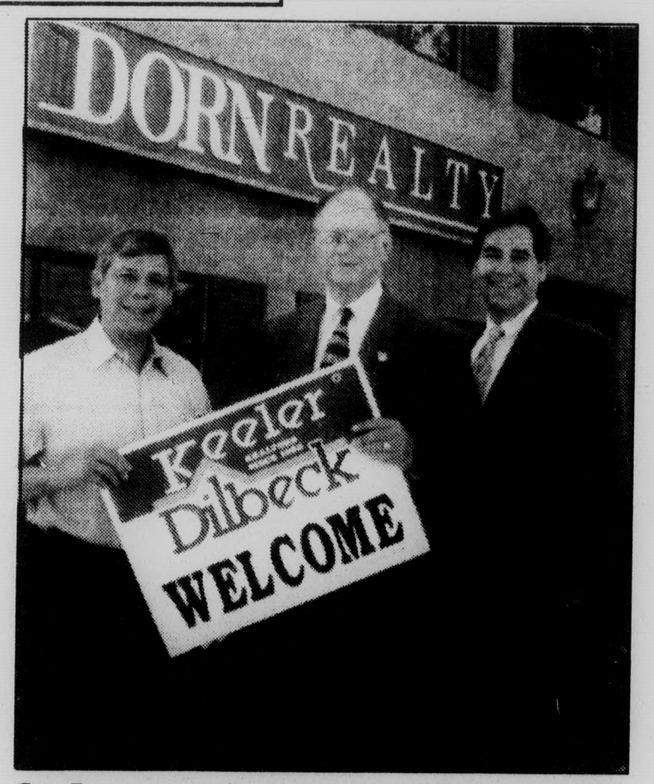
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:

ACRALIC 2000 52 E. MONTOCITO, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024

SOOREN K. ONANIAN 180 E. SIERRA MADRE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024

This Business is conducted by: An Individual

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed herein.

SIGN:

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on August 19, 1997

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS:

SIERRA MADE MANAGEMENT

402 Forest Lane, Sierra Madre, CA 91006

Reed S. Clarke 501 Richmond Dr. S.E. Albuquerque, N. Mexico 87106

Dora L. Clarke 501 Richmond Dr. S.E., Albuquerque, N. Mexico 87106

This Business is conducted by: Husband and Wife

Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed herein.

SIGN:

Reed S. Clarke

Dora L. Clarke

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on: Sept. 5, 1997.

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Date Pub.: 09/11, 09/18, 09/25, 10/02/97

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T.S. No. 1853089A LOAN NO.: 1853089 NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 4/19/96, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the real property known as 290 OLD RANCH ROAD SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024 Assessor's Parcel Number 5763-014-005 & 5763-013-030 As more fully described in the above mentioned Deed of Trust will be sold at public auction AT THE FRONT ENTRANCE TO THE POMONA MUNICIPAL COURTS BUILDING, 350 W MISSION BLVD., POMONA, CALIFORNIA on 9/25/97, at 11:30 AM, to the highest bidder, payable at the time of sale, for cash or cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn on a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Financial Code section 5102 and authorized to do business in California. The sale will be made without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to satisfy the obligation secured by the Deed of Trust executed by JANICE WALL, A SINGLE WOMAN, as trustor, recorded on 4/26/96, recorded as Instrument No. 96 662647, Book No., page , of the Official Records of LOS ANGELES, California. The total amount secured by said instrument as of the time of initial publication of this notice is $151,818.95, which includes the total amount of the unpaid balance (including accrued and unpaid interest) and reasonable estimated costs, expenses, and advances at the time of initial publication of this notice. Dated: August 29, 1997 RAYMOND ZUBIATE, ASST. SECRETARY SERRANO RECONVEYANCE COMPANY 4900 RIVERGRADE ROAD, SUITE 2870 IRWINDALE, CA 91706 (626) 856-4858 FOR SALES INFORMATION CALL: (714) 573-1965 98793 9/4 9/11 9/18/97

CNS1515723

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: MAXINE B. KAY CASE NO. GP006099

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: MAXINE B. KAY

A PETITION has been filed by DONALD R. KAY in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

THE PETITION requests that DONALD R. KAY be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 17, 1997 at 10:00 A.M. in Dept. B located at 300 E. Walnut St. Pasadena CA 91101.

IF YOU OBJECT TO the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in section 1250 of the California Probate Code. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:
Kevin M. Kay
106 West Lime Ave. #203
Monrovia CA 91016-2882
09/04, 09/11, 09/18

CNS1516048

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: PER ULF CHRISTIAN NILSSON AKA U. CHRISTIAN NILSSON CASE NO. BP047553

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: PER ULF CHRISTIAN NILSSON AKA U. CHRISTIAN NILSSON

A PETITION has been filed by LARRY J. MONTEILH, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles.

THE PETITION requests that LARRY J. MONTEILH, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATOR be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with limited authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on October 3, 1997 at 9:15 A.M. in Dept. 5 located at 111 N. Hill St. Los Angeles CA 90012-2713.

IF YOU OBJECT TO the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in section 1250 of the California Probate Code. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner:
De Witt W. Clinton, County Counsel
Gregory A. Mc Carthy, Principal Deputy
648 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
Los Angeles CA 90012-2713
09/04, 09/11, 09/18

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE

TS No. 97-05309 Loan No. 9603440 Title Order No. 03043370 Investor/Insurer No. 1662384731 APN No.: 5768-032-004 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 07/22/94. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. Notice is hereby given that CTC Foreclosure Services Corporation, as duly appointed trustee pursuant to the Deed of Trust executed by PETER M STEWART, AND CHERYL M STEWART, HUSBAND AND WIFE AS JOINT TENANTS dated 07/22/94 and recorded 07/27/94, as Instrument No. 94-1395918, of Official Records in the office of the County Recorder of Los Angeles County, State of California, will sell on 10/02/97 at 11:00AM, AT THE SOUTH ENTRANCE TO THE LA MIRADA CITY HALL, 13700 LA MIRADA BLVD., LA MIRADA, CA at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash or check as described below, payable in full at time of sale, all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust, in the property situated in said County and State and as more fully described in the above referenced Deed of Trust. The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 528 RAMONA AVENUE, SIERRA MADRE, CA 91024 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The total amount of the unpaid balance with interest thereon of the obligation secured by the property to be sold plus reasonable estimated costs, expenses and advances at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale is $200590.12 It is possible that at the time of sale the opening bid may be less than the total indebtedness due. In addition to cash, the Trustee will accept cashier's checks drawn on a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Said sale will be made, in an "AS IS" condition, but without covenant or warranty, express or implied, regarding title, possession or encumbrances, to satisfy the indebtedness secured by said Deed of Trust, advances thereunder, with interest as provided, and the unpaid principal of the Note secured by said Deed of Trust with interest thereon as provided in said Note, plus fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust. Dated: CTC Foreclosure Services Corporation, 400 Countrywide Way, SV-88, Simi Valley, CA 93065 Phone: (805) 520-5241 ext. 2686, Sale Information (916) 387-0236 By: **/S/Trustee Sale Officer**

CTC Foreclosure Services is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

09/11/1997, 09/18/1997 and 09/25/1997

Notice of Trustee's Sale Title Order No. 641337 Trustee Sale No. 39977780PL Loan No. 39977760 Apn No. 5766-020-005 TRA No. 07516 You are in default under a Deed Of Trust dated 3/9/89. Unless you take action to protect your property, it may be sold at a public sale. If you need an explanation of the nature of the proceedings against you, you should contact a lawyer. On 10/2/97 at 11:30am, N.A. Mortgage Services, Inc. as the duly appointed trustee under and pursuant to deed of trust, recorded on 3/16/89, Instrument 89-408171 of official records in the office of the recorder of Los Angeles County, California, executed by: David Lee Watson and Stacey Su Watson, Husband and Wife, as trustor Bankers Trust Company, as Trustee U/A with Ryland Mortgage Securities Corporation and Ryland Mortgage Company dated as of April 1, 1994, as beneficiary will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a State or Federal Savings and Loan Association, Savings Association, or Savings Bank specified in section 5102 of the financial code and authorized to do business in this state.) at: At the front entrance to the Pomona Municipal Courts Building, 350 W. Mission Blvd., Pomona, CA all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said deed of trust in the property situated in said county, California describing the land therein: The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: 635 East Orange Grove Avenue, Sierra Madre, CA 91024 The undersigned trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed Of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed Of Trust, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the trustee and of the trusts created by said deed of trust, to-wit: $11,701,301.72 (Estimated) accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said deed of trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said notice of default and election to sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. date: 09/03/97 **N.A. Mortgage Services, Inc. Trustee Offices** 400 E. Main Street Dept 4009 Stockton, CA 95290-4009 (714) 573-1965 Kathy King, Assistant Secretary P98972 9/11 9/18 9/25/97

- **Registration Information**
- **Scenic History**
- **Start Time, Course, and Awards**

ENTRY FEE:
$15 pre-registration (includes t-shirt)
$20 event day registration (includes t-shirt)
Kids 12 years & under FREE, ** must complete entry form *(Kids entry does not include a t-shirt. All entered Youth finishers receive a participant medal at the finish line).*

Event limited to 500 entries, (first-come, first-served basis). NO REFUNDS. Event packets, including pre-registration participants, are only issued at check-in on event day. Packets include event number, route and t-shirt. Please make checks payable to: City of Sierra Madre, c/o Pioneer Days Historic 5K, 232 West Sierra Madre Blvd., Sierra Madre, CA 91024. Send a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive entry confirmation. Pre-registration deadline Friday, October 31, 1997 at 12:00 p.m.

The 1st PIONEER DAYS HISTORIC 5K

Event Information

Time, Course, Awards, Location

START TIME

The race begins at 8:00 a.m. sharp. Check in time is from 7:15 - 7:45 a.m. Event concludes at 10:30 a.m. Participants not crossing the finish line by 10:30 a.m. will not receive an official time.

COURSE

The race begins at Maranatha High School, 160 N. Canon, proceeds west past the E. Waldo Ward Ranch, by the Ascension Church, Sierra Madre Elementary School, the Pinney House, and the Wisteria Vine (which holds the record for the largest blooming vine in the Guinness Book of World Records), through the historic Canyon and back to Maranatha High School. The route passes over 17 historic Sierra Madre properties, several of which are on the State of California's Historic landmark registry. Emergency support will be deployed at strategic points along the course to give any necessary aid. Local Boy and Cub Scout troops will provide water at two locations: Lima and W. Laurel and the half way mark at Carter and Lima. **See map for details.**

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AWARDS

Awards will be presented to the first through third overall male and female adult finishers and the first through third male and female finishers under 15 years of age. Awards ceremony will begin approximately at 10:00 a.m.

PLACE

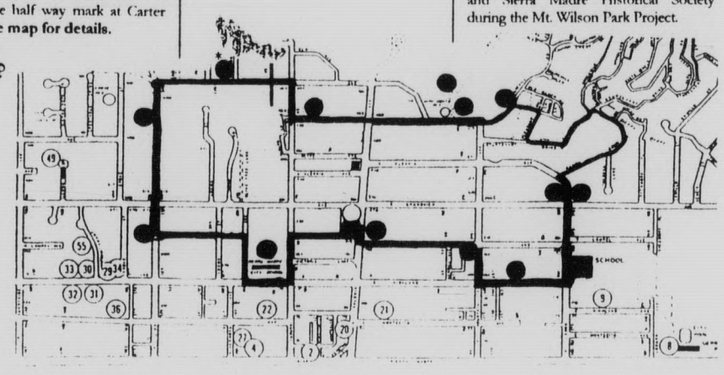
With its charming village atmosphere, the City of Sierra Madre sits at the base of Mt. Wilson in the northeast foothills of Los Angeles. The Historic 5K Race begins and ends on the east side of town at Maranatha High School, 160 North Canon. Additional parking available for participants at Sierra Vista Park, 611 East Sierra Madre Boulevard.

SCENIC HISTORY

One of the many landmarks to be seen along this historic 5K, is the *Ocean View House*, located at 93 West Mira Monte. Built in 1886 by N.C. Carter, between Baldwin and Auburn, was the first hotel in Sierra Madre, from which 'one could see the ships come into San Pedro.' Of special interest is its kitchen area which was formed from the first schoolhouse of the Sierra Madre area, moved by Mr. Carter to *'Ocean View'* from its original site when the second school was built in 1885.

Lizzie's Trail Inn, at the foot of the Mt. Wilson Trail, served the enthusiastic hikers starting up the trail and the bone-weary hikers on the way down, is a relaxing site along the historic 5K route. Although the history of the building dates back to 1890, the original restaurant was operated by Lizzie McElwain, who died in 1939. It's operation was taken over by Thelma and Robert Orme who continued the restaurant business until 1948. The operators lived in the Richardson House located behind the *Inn*. Patrons delightfully enjoyed the unchanging menu of delicious homemade foods for years. The *Inn*, currently non-operational, was dedicated a Historic Landmark in July 1976 as a joint effort of the City of Sierra Madre and Sierra Madre Historical Society during the Mt. Wilson Park Project.

COURSE MAP



ENTRY FORM: Checks payable to "City of Sierra Madre"

Last Name _____ First Name _____ Age _____ Male Female

Number & Street Name _____ City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____ Area Day Phone _____ Circle Age Division: under 12 15 & under Adult (16 years of age or older)

Adult/Youth $15 (pre-registration only) Adult/Youth $ 20 (day-of-event) Youth under 12 **FREE**

Circle T-shirt size: Small Medium Large X-Large

RELEASE WAIVER: intending to be legally bound, and assume all risk in connection with or in any way related to my participation in the Pioneer Days Historic 5K Fun-Run-Walk, I certify that, to the best of my knowledge, my training and health are adequate for me to compete safely in this event. In consideration of your accepting my entry I assume all related risks and do hereby for myself, executors and administrators, waive and release forever any and all rights and claims or damages I may hereafter occur to me against the persons or organizations affiliated with the event, including but not limited to the City of Sierra Madre, Pioneer Days Fun-Run-Walk Chairperson and Committee members, The Athletic Congress, and any and all supporters of the event, their successors, representatives and assigns, for any injuries suffered by me while participating in the Pioneer Days Historic 5K Fun-Run-Walk.

Signature _____ Date _____

Parent (if under 18) _____

1st Annual Pioneer Days Historic 5K Fun-Run-Walk
Sunday, November 9, 1997

ENTRY FEE:

$15 Pre-registration
$20 Event Day Registration
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Presented by:

The Pioneer Days Historic 5K Fun-Run-Walk Committee

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D.A.R.E. Program Intact. . .for Now

By Dan Oakes

One of the alternatives presented to the City Council last month to help solve the budget crisis was the possible elimination of the D.A.R.E. program. Police Chief Ronnie Garner, instrumental in bringing D.A.R.E. to Arcadia, did not want to see the program go through, but was instructed to come up with a wide range of budget possibilities, as were all department heads.

The budget proposal was to reassign two D.A.R.E. officers to patrol duties, and to freeze two vacant police officer position. The projected cost savings of $146,074 annually would have gone a long way to fixing a roughly $2,000,000 budget shortfall; however, Garner cited several possible negative impacts on the city, including the possibility of higher drug use, more gang membership, and more crime among Arcadia youth, as well as the loss of what Garner called "an important link to Arcadia's young people." Are these possibilities and intangibles worth $146,074 each year? Mayor Pro Tem Gary Kovacic and Councilmembers Sheng Chang and Barbara Kuhn thought so, but D.A.R.E. survived uncut on the narrowest of margins, with Mayor Robert Harbicht and Councilmember Mary Young preferring at the very least to consider modifications.

One thing the Council *did* look at, however, was searching out alternative funding, possibly from the Arcadia Unified School District. After all, it's a program that takes place in the schools, and directly benefits Arcadia's students. With that in mind, City Manager Bill Kelly was asked to meet with Superintendent Dr. Terry Towner. Kelly's report, however, was that the District's position was that D.A.R.E. was a City program, not a District program, and that the Arcadia Unified School District didn't have the funds available to even cover half of the cost of the program. The District, however, agreed to a further study of the crossing guard program, which was also in some jeopardy at budget time, and costs the City $100,000 annually. While not pitching in financially, the District may be able to help coordinate volunteer efforts to cover the crossing guard duties. Dr. Towner is due to send Kelly a copy of the District's budget for presentation to the Council.

Towner confirms that money is at least as tight at the District as it is in the City, saying, "We don't have a revenue-producing system. Our money is allocated to us, and most of those allocations come with restrictions as to how it is spent. Money is very tight." Some of the District's budget problems include the Classroom Size Reduction Act, largely funded by the State, but with extensive ancillary costs. The program, an acknowledged benefit by virtually every teacher who has participated in it, has cost the District $750,000 in unexpected expenses. Over the period 1991-93, the District cut $2,400,000 from its budget.

Two years into the program, Police Chief Ronnie Garner is convinced more than ever that D.A.R.E. is a worthwhile program. Says Garner, "The most notable results are at graduation. That's where I get a lot of enthusiasm. The kids are really committed to staying together and turning down drugs and gangs." The D.A.R.E. program is a semester-long course taught in each elementary school in the City twice a year at the fifth grade level. D.A.R.E. officers come in for an hour three times a week. They also appear at school during lunch and recess, getting acquainted with children, and helping them see police officers as friendly, helpful people they can turn to. The D.A.R.E. officers underwent a 12-week training program, and their knowledge in the field is constantly being upgraded as new information is distributed from D.A.R.E. America, the national organization.

Councilmember Barbara Kuhn believes in the program as well, saying, "The feedback I get from the community, which would essentially be parents, is that the program has been very successful. The graduations have really been exciting and fun."

As school kicks off, D.A.R.E. is in place for Arcadia's fifth graders, starting its third year. Where will it be next year?

ARCADIA POLICE DEPT.

	Calls for Service	Formal Investigations
Sept. 3 to Sept. 9	568	143
Total Year to Date	21,318	5,365

The Arcadia Police Department responded to 568 calls for service of which 143 required formal investigation from Wednesday, September 3, to Tuesday, September 9. The following is a summary report of the major incidents handled by the Department during the period.

Wednesday, September 3:

1. At 7:38 a.m., officers responded to the 1600 block of Rodeo Road regarding a residential burglary. Unknown suspect(s) entered the garage and took golf clubs, mountain bike, and a cellular phone.

2. While on routine patrol at 7:35 p.m., officers recognized a male/Caucasian subject from a previous contact. The subject had indicated that he wanted to enter into a drug rehabilitation program and officers wanted to learn of his progress. During the interview, officers discovered that the subject was under the influence of a controlled substance and was arrested at the scene.

3. Around 10:30 p.m., officers checked on the welfare of a bicyclist who was unable to maintain a steady course at Colorado Place and Colorado Street. The male subject informed officers that he had just been with a prostitute at the Elite Westerner and that she had methamphetamine with her. Based on this information, officers contacted the female/Caucasian suspect at the motel. Officers found baggies of methamphetamine in the freezer and also discovered that the suspect had an outstanding warrant. The suspect was released to Pasadena Police for the felony warrant.

4. At 8:45 a.m., units were called to a flower shop at 629 West Duarte to investigate a commercial burglary. Between the hours of 10:00 p.m. on September 3 and 8:40 a.m. September 4, unknown suspect(s) kicked open the back door of the business and removed cash and miscellaneous items.

Friday, September 5:

5. Around 3:50 p.m., a victim came to the station to report a terrorist threat. The victim was recently divorced from her husband who had been physically abusive in the past. Her husband called her and threatened to kill her if she told anyone of the previous abuse. Officers arrested the 60 year old male/Caucasian suspect in Alhambra and his firearms confiscated.

6. Units were dispatched to the 1100 block of South Eighth at 10:48 p.m. regarding two male subjects fighting in the street. The 26 year male/Caucasian suspect struck the victim in the face with a metal rod. The victim was transported to AMH after sustaining a deep cut to his upper lip and losing three teeth. The suspect was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon.

Saturday, September 6:

7. At 7:27 p.m., officers responded to Huntington and Sunset regarding a roll-over injury traffic collision. The suspect vehicle ran a red light and rolled over after striking another vehicle. Drivers from both vehicles sustained minor injuries, and eastbound Huntington was shut down for about an hour.

8. Units were called to the 300 block of West Lemon at 7:51 p.m. to investigate an attempted robbery and assault with a deadly weapon. The victim was confronted by two male/Asian suspects after he answered the doorbell. The victim was punched and kicked by the suspects. The suspects also demanded cash from the victim during he assault and later fled in a waiting vehicle. The victim sustained moderate injuries ad he was able to obtain a description of the suspect vehicle.

Monday, September 8:

9. Shortly after 2:00 a.m., officers responded to the 300 block of West Lemon again to investigate a drive by shooting. The victim was sitting in his bedroom when shots were fired at the house. One bullet entered through a window and lodged in a wall and two other bullets impacted the exterior wall. The same victim was assaulted on Saturday night.

Due to the great investigative work of our officers, an 18 year old male/Asian suspect was take into custody for attempted murder, assault with a deadly weapon, attempted robbery, possession of a dangerous weapon, and shooting at an occupied dwelling. The suspect was apprehended at around 6:00 a.m. on Tuesday, September 9, at Duarte and El Monte. The suspect was positively identified by the victim as one of the assailants.

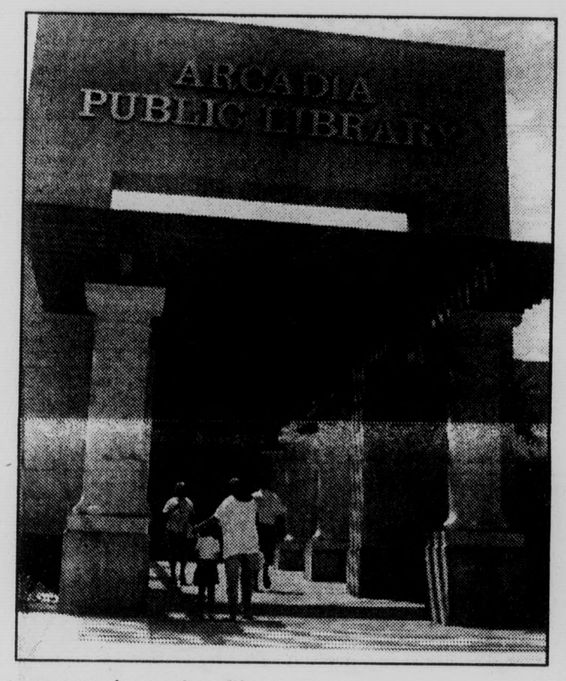
10. Units responded to the 111 Las Tunas at 11:43 a.m., regarding a solo injury traffic accident. The driver was reaching for something on the floorboard when he lost control of the vehicle. The car struck the curb and continued moving until it hit ad Edison pole and a concrete block wall. The driver was treated by AFD for minor injuries.

Tuesday, September 9:

12. At 6:58 a.m., officers were sent to Holly and Duarte regarding an injury traffic accident. An Arcadia High School cross country runner ran against a red light and into a moving vehicle. The 15 year old female student sustained serious injuries to the right side of her body.

Arcadia Library: Serving the Community

By Dan Oakes



Whenever you get to a budget crisis, the things people get up in arms about first and foremost are public safety issues. Police and Fire decisions move to the front of the pack, with citizens saying, "Well, you can't touch Police and Fire; take it from somewhere else." At first glance, this makes sense. If your house has burned down, or if you've been shot, things like street paving, lighting, parks and other non-safety issues seem very low-priority. The problem is, public safety is a huge chunk of the general fund expenditures, and if those departments are off-limits, the other departments tend to get buried. But public maintenance has to continue. Whether we contract for street sweeping, lighting, and tree trimming or do it ourselves, money will be spent on it. So where can money come from and not need to be replaced? Unfortunately, often the answer is places like Parks and Recreation and the Library, whose very real benefits are often difficult to quantify.

You can't take what benefits Arcadians have derived from Parks and Recreation or from the Library and put them in a neat little piechart, but those benefits are there, nonetheless. Take a trip with us to the Library, where we spoke with Kent Ross, City Librarian. Possible budget cuts that Ross presented to the City Council last month included reducing Library hours from 60/week to 52/week, 46/week, or even 40/week, with savings to the City general fund projected at up to $145,000. The Library escaped these cuts, however. What do Arcadia residents get out of their library? Plenty.

The 60 hours/week that the Arcadia Library is open are consistent with Ross' philosophy, which is to mirror business hours as closely as possible. Put simply, Ross says, "People know during the day, we're available. They don't have to guess when we're open." Library hours are M-Th 10-9 and F-Sa 10-6. County libraries closed on some days but not on others, or keeping odd hours that vary day by day have a predictable effect, says Ross: "They give up."

It was only a year ago that the Arcadia Library was remodeled, expanding the main floor area to 41,000 square feet. The daytime bookstore has also been open just under one year. The bookstore is the height of cost-effectiveness in government: The books are donated to the Library, and the labor is volunteer. The estimated $20,000 in annual revenue is almost overhead-free.

Why is it important to have such a large library? Well, 1,400 children registered this year for the summer reading program, which runs from June through August. Prizes, contests, and games keep children focused on the joys of reading, a healthy, educational recreation. The Library also offers year-round story hours and special performances, designed specifically for certain age groups, and Library staff also goes to various schools.

It's not just children. How many people go into the Library? An incredible 40,000 each month. Coincidentally, says Ross, that number matches the average number of books checked out each year: Between 400,000 and 500,000. In the morning, says Ross, "Things are quieter. People come in and mostly read the periodicals." In the afternoon, the computers get busier. Internet access is available for $1/hour, and word processing computers can be rented for $3/hour, significantly less than the going rate at retail stores which offer the service. The reference desk also handles between 3,000 and 4,000 questions each month on a variety of subjects.

Why does Kent Ross work as City Librarian? "I liked the idea of working with the public in a positive way. We offer people services they want very cheaply or free." Which makes visiting the Arcadia Public Library a great idea.

Arcadia Chamber Events

By Dan Oakes

"We stay active throughout the year," says Jana Costuma at the Arcadia Chamber of Commerce, and she means it. Where else can you sign up for mixers, breakfasts, golf tournaments, and an arts and crafts fair, all at the same time? A diverse Chamber is an effective Chamber, and there has to be something for everyone in the upcoming weeks.

September starts with a bang, and I don't mean from the shotgun start of the 11th annual golf tournament. The tournament will be held on Friday, September 12 at the California Country Club in Whittier. Always one of the favorite Chamber events, this year should see 100 golfers duke it out for bragging rights. If you want to be the best, you've got to be the best. Mentioning no names, but last year's champion foursome is back, intact, and eager to defend their title. The tournament starts at 1:00 p.m. after registration at noon. 6:00 starts the cocktail 1/2 hour, and the way the heat has been going, cold drinks will be in demand. At 6:30 will be the barbecue dinner and awards, as well as some fantastic raffle prizes from various Chamber businesses. The deadline for the tournament has passed, but if you call 447-2159 today, you still might be able to get some of that dinner & win a raffle prize or two.

If you don't play golf, the 8th annual Arcadia Craft Faire & Carnival might be more to your liking. Held at the Arcadia County Park on Huntington and Santa Anita, the Faire will take place on Friday, October 17th from 5:00 until 11:00, and on Saturday and Sunday the 18th and 19th from 11:00 until 11:00. Non-profit organizations or crafters can take spaces for $125, while merchant and non-profit food booths are $250. Auto dealer vehicle spaces are $125 each or four for $400, and self-contained carts are $100. All prices are for three days. Thousands of visitors show up to this well-known community event.

The September mixer will take place on the 25th, at Wellington Court Retirement Community. Wellington Court has hosted the September mixer for four years in a row, on their beautiful and spacious facility. $7.00 gets you in the door, buys a drink and dinner, and two chances to win those raffle prizes. The Wellington Court mixer also offers visitors a chance to meet and mingle with staff and residents at Arcadia's luxury retirement spot, on Sunset and Michillinda.

Speaking of new faces...if you have a business, want to meet someone who has a business, or want to make new friends, the networking dinner is also held monthly. For you morning people, that's at 7:30 a.m. at La Pinata restaurant on the third Wednesday of each month. That's next Wednesday, the 17th, if you're keeping score at home. Advertise your business, learn about other businesses in town, or just enjoy some good food.

One can easily see why Jana says, "It's a busy time of year, but we're busy year-round offering benefits for our members and making their services known to the public."

"Party Time"

Its "Party Time" is the report from Joann Ruggles, President of the Arcadia Republican Women's Club Federated, and she announces that they are having their Annual Summer party this year on Sat. Sept. 13 from 6:00-8:30, to be held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. John Shafer at 1130 Rodeo Rd. Arcadia. This has always been fun time for everyone. There will be donated form the kitchens of the Board members who always produce gourmet goodies to be enjoyed. The Arcadia Republican Women's club is part of the largest all women's volunteer political organization in the U.S. Funds collected from these fun times are used only for the many projects they commit to each year. Remember -- Sept. 13, from 6:00 - 8:30. $17.50 per person, with a no-host bar. Tickets will be available at the door. Every one Welcome!! For more information call Veronica Thee at 447-9590 or Ann Fox-Wakely at 355-6671

Arcadia Water Supply Free of Perchlorate

The City of Arcadia provides water from its underground water supply to over 13,000 customers. While Arcadia is not linked to the water supply recently found to have traces of the rocket fuel additive, perchlorate, precautionary steps were taken to have water samples analyzed by a state Certified Laboratory. Water samples taken in August from all of Arcadia's wells revealed no traces of this contaminant.

The Water Division of the Arcadia Maintenance Services Department tests all wells regularly, consistently meeting or exceeding established health and safety standards for the protection of Arcadia citizens.

Methodist Hospital Foundation Crystal Ball Proceeds To Benefit Area Children's Healthcare Needs

A Local Community Program In Collaboration With Local Schools Will Receive Funds

Arcadia, CA - In an effort to address the unmet healthcare needs of children in the Central San Gabriel Valley, proceeds from the Methodist Hospital Foundation's Seventh Annual Crystal Ball will help fund a community outreach program in collaboration with local schools.

The Crystal Ball was held at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles on September 6, 1997. The theme of this year's event is "Scheherazade," chaired by Bradbury resident Vicki Banks. The event's honoree is Bill Davila, president emeritus of the Vons Companies, who has had a long history of working for the benefit of local schools.

The community program will benefit several school districts, including Arcadia, Sierra Madre, Monrovia, Duarte, El Monte and Temple City, which represents more than 37,000 students. Last year, the Crystal Ball raised $125,000 toward the construction of the replacement patient care tower.

"We look at this as the beginning of forming a partnership with the schools to improve the health of our children," said Jill Harkema, the Methodist Hospital Foundation's health partnership coordinator. "Our underlying goal is to make healthcare in our community more accessible for everyone. The hospital is giving each school leeway to determine what their unmet healthcare needs are. Each school is coming up with their own plan that best addresses the needs of their student body."

Harkema said the funds will be used to bolster a range of programs and services including helping to support a district nurse position, testing and screening for scolisis and TB, vision and hearing screening, CPR training, staff and in service training, healthy start programs, drug and alcohol education, the hiring of a bi-lingual medical clerk and translating a resource directory into Spanish.

"The schools are thrilled about this funding," said Harkema.

For information regarding sponsorship opportunities, please call the Methodist Hospital Foundation at (626) 574-3742.

Methodist Hospital Calendar of Events — September

Wednesday, Sept. 10 and 17, 1997
7-9 p.m.

CHILDBIRTH REFRESHER CLASS—Methodist Hospital, Lewis Hall, 300 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia. This two-evening refresher class is beneficial for experienced parents who would like a review of labor, delivery and recovery. Special attention to laborcoping techniques and adjustments to the baby will be addressed. Please call during your fourth month of pregnancy to schedule your class. Reservations required, call (626) 574-3473. Fee: $25 per couple. $15 for Methodist Hospital Patients.

Monday, Sept. 15, 1997
2-3 p.m.

50+ HEALTH CONNECTION ORIENTATION CLASS—Methodist Hospital, Classroom 5,300 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia. Come learn about the hospital's newest membership program for those 50 and older—50+ Health Connection. Seating is very limited so make reservations early. For reservations, call (626) 574-3733. Free.

Wednesday, Sept. 17, 1997
7 p.m.

COPING WITH CAREGIVING: A SERIES FOR THE SANDWICH GENERATION

—Session #2: Resources You Should Know About to Assist You as a Caregiver—Arcadia Community Center, 365 Campus Dr., Arcadia. A panel will discuss resources for skilled care, custodial care, respite care, legal issues, financial issues, Medi-Cal and long-term care. Reservations required; call the Methodist Hospital Senior Services Department at (626) 574-3733. Free.

Thursday, Sept. 18, 1997
10-11:30 a.m.

MEDICARE: WHAT IT DOES AND DOES NOT COVER—Methodist Hospital, Classroom 5,300 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia. Will you turn 65 soon and need to sort out what Medicare will cover and why you may need a supplemental insurance or an HMO. This class will help you understand the "gaps" in Medicare coverage and why you may need additional healthcare insurance. Seating is very limited so make reservations early. For reservations, Call (626) 574-3733. Free.

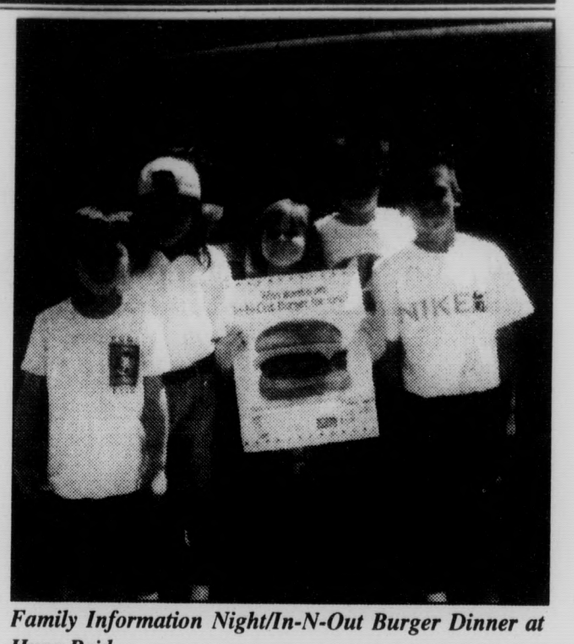
Monday, Sept. 22, 1997
7:15-8:15 p.m.

DIABETES SUPPORT GROUP: Diabetes and Vascular Disease—Methodist Hospital, Lewis Hall, 300 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia. Richard Deatsch, M.D., vascular surgeon on staff at Methodist Hospital, will talk about vascular disease and diabetes. Everyone who has an interest in diabetes is welcome to attend. For more information, call (626) 574-3775. Free.

Family Information Night/ In-N-Out Burger dinner at Hugo Reid

By Marsha Aizomi

Enjoy a burger, make new friends, have dinner with old friends, and get information on how you can support Hugo Reid this year. Representatives will be ready to answer any questions you may have about how you can get involved and support your child. Even if you have limited time. Also information about disaster preparedness, the library, and the computer lab will be available. Come join us on September 15th from 5:30 p.m. at the Hugo Reid elementary school cafeteria. Tickets will be pre-sold for $3.00 per person, which includes a cheeseburger, drink & chips. Tickets will also be sold at the door. Even coordinator, Yvonne Burns. Can be contacted at 447-2737 if you have any questions. PTA'S theme this year is "Service Bears Fruit". Be part of making this a most "fruitful" year!!!



Family Information Night/In-N-Out Burger Dinner at Hugo Reid.

Four Oxygenates To Be Studied

Senator Richard Mountjoy (R-Arcadia) saw his MTBE bill advance to the Assembly Suspense File in the Assembly Appropriations Committee today.

In addition to a study on the safety of MTBE, ethanol, TAME and ETBE, SB 521 includes language to allow ethanol blends to be used in California. Senate Bill 521 also now requires gas pumps to be labeled with the name of the oxygenate used in gasoline sold at each pump.

"There is overwhelming evidence that MTBE is very harmful to people's health and to our environment. I do not believe many people will choose to put MTBE in their gas tank if given an option," Senator Mountjoy stated.

"North Carolina residents were bathing and drinking water with MTBE like residents of the small Solano County town of Elmira, who discovered last December that MTBE was in their water." Senator Mountjoy added.

MTBE has been shown to cause cancers in animals and has been associated with other health problems such as headaches, dizziness, rashes, and nausea.

"Many people who are having headaches after driving or walking near busy roads may well be suffering from the neurotoxic effects of MTBE," Senator Mountjoy continued.

"There is not a shred of credible scientific evidence to support the safety of this hazardous chemical or to show that MTBE cleans up our environment in any way," according to Dr. Myron Mehlman, a toxicologist with expertise on MTBE.

The Assembly Appropriations Committee will vote on whether to fund SB 521 next week when all funding bills will come before the committee.

Senate Bill 521 is supported by more than 104,000 individuals statewide, which is likely the record for the number of people supporting any bill that has come before the Legislature, either this year or in past years.

"We are one step closer to seeing MTBE removed from California. I am confident that the Legislature will act responsibly to assure Californians and California are protected from MTBE. Experimentation with chemicals should take place in laboratories, not on people," Senator Mountjoy concluded.

Cal Phil Plans Fifth Concert Debut "Festival on the Green" Series

Arcadia-The California Philhramonic Orchestra continues their summer series with great success. An unprecedented an unexpected 4,600 guests came to experience Cal Phil's fourth concert, "Beethoven to Bernstein," August 30. Their fifth concert, "Finale Fantastique," is coming to the L.A. Arboretum September 20. Critics agree, "Both Vener and his new venue have a hit on their hands." The featured soloist is clarinetist Michael Arnold. Born and raised in Los Angeles, he began studying the clarinet at the age of eight. He holds a Bachelor of Music degree from USC, Master of Fine Arts degree from California Institute of the Arts, and a Juris Doctorate from Southwestern University School of Law. He now lives in Pasadena. On September 20, he will play a sensational composition by Rossini. After a recent recital in Spoleto, Italy, the newspaper II Messagero wrote: "A musical wizard...his great interpretive ability and virtuosity left the audience astonished." The evening's music will begin with Bach's mighty Prelude and Fugue in k minor. Dr. Vener will also conduct music enjoyed in Disney's classic Fantasia, including Night on Bare Mountain and The Sorcere's Apprentice. Music from Hector Berlioz's Symphonie Fantastique will be heard, as well as the amazing story of its creation. The Cal Phil is comprised of musicians with international credits and was first organized in 1995 to perform for the American debut of the Prague Festival Ballet. Many of the musicians have been soloists and principal players with distinguished orchestras in Europe, South America and across the United States.

Civitan Club of Arcadia

Friday September 26, 1997, the Civitan Club of Arcadia will install its 46th set of officers. The club was chartered on November 24, 1952 and has been serving the community of Arcadia and surrounding areas for 45 years. The officers for the 1997-78 year will be Carolyn Groom, President, Rob Bolster, President elect, Mary Ann Hamerski, Immediate Past President and Secretary and John Groom, Treasurer. The Club Directors will be Bill Hatherill, Bud Gram. Wes Kuhn, John Lynn and Bob Terwilliger. The most recent activity of the club was its 6th Annual Steak Barbecue. It was in honor of Past President Art Adair, Jr. who died of cancer this past year. Art served as chairman of the barbecue for the first five years. The members of the club served dinner to 260 guests raising a net profit of 4,302.95. This money has been placed in the club's project fund to be used for service in the expanded community, Major service projects of the club include: Arcadia High School Student Citizens of the Year, Two $500 Scholarships for graduating seniors, Co-sponsors of the Arcadia Recreation department's elementary and Intermediate Track Meets. Sponsors of the Arcadia High School Jr. Civitan Club, San Gabriel Valley special Olympics held at Temple City High School each May, Villa Esperanza, Christmas for Kids-Santa and Elves, clothing for Recovery for men and women in rehab programs, Parents Place Information Fair. Lincoln school for the Mentally and Physically Handicapped Field Day, Assisting the Arcadia firefighters Association with their annual Pancake Breakfast and the Arcadia Police Department Open House. For Additional Information Contact: Dr. Matt Matthews, Past President 1300 Valley Home Avenue La Habra, CA 90631-2437 Phone (562)691-9255 Fax (562)694-4961

Bill Herman To Speak At Collectors Club

The next monthly meeting of the San Gabriel Valley Collectors Club will be held on September 18th at 7 PM. Guests are always welcome, so if collecting ANYTHING is your thing we invite you to join us for a fun and interesting evening. Speaker for September meeting will be Mr. Bill Herman of Herman's hallmark and Collectibles in Norwalk. Since his shop is beautifully decorated with everything from Beany Babies to Dept. 56, Bill could speak on nearly any collectable. However, he has chosen to bring us up to date on Hallmark Ornaments. They are varied and unique in design. Refreshments are served and business is SHORT....SO...mark your calendar! Meetings are held at Red Cross Center (near Huntington Hospital) 376 W. Huntington Drive, Arcadia. Should you wish further information please call (626) 445-4942.

Beginning Bridge Lessons

The Bridge Center in Arcadia will be offering two new Beginning Bridge Classes in September.

Evening Beginners Class will start Thursday evening, September 25, at 6:45 PM. Daytime Beginners Class will start Saturday, September 27, at 10:00 AM. Each class is eight weeks. Fee is $36 per person (teens free). Each lesson includes instruction plus actual bridge play. No experience at bridge is necessary to enroll.

The Bridge Center is located at 333 N. Santa Anita Avenue in Arcadia. For further information or reservations, please call the Bridge Center at (626) 445-3797.

"Eaton Canyon Update"

Mickey Long, Director of Eaton Canyon Natural Area and Nature Center, will present program to take us through the last four years since the devastating fire that destroyed much of the canyon and its building. Included will be an update on the area's natural recovery and explanation of the current situation and detailed plans for the new building. Also included will be the results of a two-year survey of bird life in Eaton Canyon. All are welcome. At the Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, On Wednesday, September 17, 1997 at 7:30 p.m. Fee is Free.

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St. Rita's Guild - Not Just a Bunch of Blue-Haired Ladies

by Helen Simmons Conroy

With hesitance, I accepted a friend's invitation to a Guild luncheon this past May. A stereotype lay in my mind of what the Guild would be a bunch of gossipy, boring, blue-haired ladies. This stereotype was quickly lay to rest, however, as I found out about just a few of their great causes at that meeting and got to know them a little. To name just a few of their endeavors, they pay for the communion bread which I receive at mass, pay for and host the coffee/donut service which I may attend after mass once a month, support community groups such as the Boy Scouts, Another project was the Good Shepherd Center for women in Los Angeles, and on an international scope, they helped a priest become ordained in Samoa one year. Each year, their assistance goes to varied and different causes, depending upon the amount of support they obtain in Guild membership fees to a large degree. As well as learning about their causes I discovered they were far from boring. Their positive attitude, support for one another, intelligent discussion, spunk, and humor, all made it a most enjoyable afternoon. So endearing and refreshing were they that by the end of the meeting I wished I could adopt several of them as surrogate mothers (as my mom past away 13 years ago). As they were receptive to any way in which I could help, I decided to volunteer for their St. Rita Feast Day program. This is the Guild's biggest event of the year. They are responsible for its planning and greet the tremendous crowds who come from all over to pay homage to St. Rita on her Feast day. It was an incredible experience witnessing the intensity of the day. The need to collect money and flowers was constant as both poured in from devoted worshippers. Being involved in the planning and judging of a St. Rita Poetry/Essay contest which was sponsored at St. IRita school by the Guild was also very rewarding. It benefited both me and my children in making us more knowledgeable about St. Rita as they did research with me to enter the contest. Helping clean the church a few times with the Guild's Holy Housekeepers" (a small group of Guild members who clean the church on a regular basis), was also enjoyable (and I hate to clean!) I shared their pride in knowing they help make the church look better than what the professional cleaning services alone provide. After a 3 month hiatus (having my kids at home), it was great to join the Guild again this past week for their first meeting of the active Guild season which last through May. Only Board members are required to attend monthly meetings which are held the first Thursday of the Month at 9 a.m. , but all Guild members are welcome to attend. At this meeting, plans were underway for their annual Membership Tea. The Membership Tea will be held Saturday, October 4, in O'Malley Hall at 2 p.m.. All women in the parish are invited to attend. Lastly, as for the stereotype I held on Guild hair color, I have yet to spot a blue strand among them. I myself, however, am guilty of having had purple hair for a short time, when the rinse I was using to cover my grey hair decided to turn on me. Thus if you would like to become involved, please attend our Membership tea. We need your talents and enthusiasm (regardless of the color of your hair). We really aren't just a bunch of blue-haired (or purple haired) ladies. Come see for yourself how worthwhile our organization is, and make it better with your presence.

Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread

In this first petition for ourselves in the praying the Lord's Prayer, we ask Him to "Give us this day our daily bread". In scriptural usage "bread" includes all our needs for body, soul and spirit. Our prayer pleases our benevolent Father since we are humbly acknowledging our total dependence upon Him. We need to approach our gracious God with confidence and trust realizing that He wants only good things for us. Our compassionate Father loves us with an infinite love and is eager to supply everything we need not only for our temporal welfare, but also those spiritual gifts we need on our journey heavenward. In His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus urges us to trust implicitly in the Father's loving care since He knows all our needs and will grant them as we need them. Jesus assures us "Everyone who asks receives, (Mt. 7:8) He also reminds us. "Whatever you ask in My name. I will do, so that the Father may be glorified. (Jn, 14:13) Imagine the goodness of God, when we ask for our "daily bread" we are glorifying the Father. It is impossible to estimate the number or drops of water touching the earth during a gentle rain. It is likewise beyond our comprehension to tabulate the myriad gifts and blessings the Lord showers upon us without interruption. He showers His gifts upon us not only for our own personal use, but that we might use them to help others. St Paul reminds us that we are endowed with certain gifts in order to build up the Body of Christ. This is the love of neighbor that Jesus urges us so strongly to practice. Prompted by His love and concern for us as we journey in life, the Lord gave us two magnanimous gifts; the gift of His Word, in Scripture and gift of Himself in the Eucharist. By His presence in His Word. Jesus guides and directs us, enlightens and encourages us on our pilgrimage heavenward. Scripture also assures us of His enduring love filling us with peace and joy. There can be no greater gift than the gift of Himself and His abiding presence in the Eucharist to nourish and strengthen us, to comfort and console us, and to unite Himself with us as we offer the gift of ourselves to the Father. (Father David E. Rosage)

Church of the Good Shepherd

by Fran Syverson

The Rev. Philip B. Wood, senior pastor at Church of the Good Shepherd (United Methodist), will preach at the 8 and 10 a.m. services Sun., Sept. 14.

Those who attend the Good Shepherd Forum at 9 a.m. will hear a presentation by Sue Reeder, newly named as director of the Church of the Good Shepherd Children's Center.

Child care will be available at 8, 9 and 10 a.m.

The Rev. Matthew C.F. Chong will preside at the Chinese worship in the chapel at 11:15 a.m.

FALL SEASON BEGINS

The fall season is a time of new and renewal at Church of the Good Shepherd. Two new breakfast activities will begin next week.

A "Breakfast Club" for kindergartners through fifth graders will begin Sunday at 9 a.m. in the Activity Center. Children will enjoy not only breakfast together, but also other activities: Bible games, seasonal crafts, Christmas and Easter plays. Their parents then will be free to attend the Good Shepherd Forum or Bible Study.

The first "Men's Power Breakfast" is slated for Tuesday, Sept. 16, at 6:30 a.m. The one-hour gathering will meet for a light breakfast with Rev. Wood. The men will study Jimmy Carter's book "Living Faith."

Youth Choir rehearsals for students in sixth-12th grades will begin Sunday from 4:45-6:00 p.m. in the choir room. Janice Clark will direct the choir.

Signups for the third annual Fall Classic Golf Tournament sponsored by Church of the Good Shepherd Foundation are being taken. The tournament will be at the Alhambra Golf Course on Sat., Oct. 11. For information and reservations, call Dan Place, (626) 446-6110.

Church of the Good Shepherd is at 400 W. Duarte Road, Arcadia. Phone 447-2181 weekdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., for more information.



Miss Janis Lynne Wilson and Marc Angelo DeFiori were married in Church of the Goood Shepard in Arcadia.

Janis Wilson Becomes Bride of Marc DeFiori

Miss Janis Lynne Wilson and Marc Angelo DeFiori were married in Church of the Good Shepherd in Arcadia and after a wedding trip to Maui are now making their home in Monrovia. The reception was held at Almansor Court in Alhambra.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack K. Wilson of Arcadia and his parents are Mr. and Mrs. Clete DeFiori of Arcadia. Mr. Wilson escorted Janis to the altar, and her sister Tami served as Maid of Honor. Bridesmaids attending Janis were Kelli Dunaway, Robyn Dunn, Aimee Horton, Roxanne Lopez, Robin Sax, Barbi Smith and Lisa Waite.

Her floor length diamond silk shantung gown was fashioned with an off-the-shoulder bodice, scoop neck, full skirt and chapel train with pearl and Venetian applique detailing. A silk crown headpiece with Venetian applique held her fingertip length veil and she carried a cascade of bright pink roses, blue delphiniums and white orchids. In Blue Bridal attendants wore knee length blueberry blue dresses, designed with short sleeves and scooped necked bodices. Their flowers were pink roses, blue delphiniums in freeform nosegays.

Flower girls Jami Leslie and Kiara Womack wore street length white organza dresses and carried white baskets filled with pink roses. Marc's brother Donovan Gaytan was the best man and seating the 250 guests were Charles Bluth, brother Rene DeFiori, Mike Giangregorio, Brian Havill, Troy Sanders and Dennis Sobolewski. Other members of ;the wedding party included Ring Bearer, Cheyene Womack; Lectors Gina Anderson, Jennifer Wall and Carla Womack; Candle lighter, Michele Fraser and Damien Slaughter; Soloist and Guitarist, Dre Womack. Guests Out of town guests included: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Alward, Scott and Ryan of Ontario, Oregon; Lynn Smith of Sun Valley, Idaho; Mr. and Mrs. Charley Thompson of Klamath Falls, Oregon; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Horton of Salt Lake city; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Talbert of Arroyo Grande, California and Jen Gamble of Wahington, D.C.

Janis is a 1990 graduate of Arcadia High School where she was active in Drama and Orchesis. She graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara and Sierra Nevada College and is currently a Third Grade Teacher at Mayflower Elementary School in Monrovia.

Marc graduated from Arcadia High School and Cal Poly Pomona. He is a Financial Advisor with Prudential Securities in Los Angeles.

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Are You Ready for Some Football?

By Dan Oakes

It's that time of year again. The school year is upon us, and it's time to hit the ground running for football season, which opens Friday. Local teams are eager to fight for playoff berth, league titles, and even CIF championships. We at the Sierra Madre News will again be providing coverage of the La Salle Lancers, Maranatha Minutemen, Arcadia Apaches, and Pasadena Bulldogs as the season opens this weekend. How do the teams look? Let's talk to some head coaches.

Over at Arcadia, graduation was not kind to head coach Jon DiMalante, who two years ago led the Apaches to their first 10-win season in his debut year. DiMalante returns only two defensive starters, though five will come back on offense. Have no fear, however; says DiMalante, "We have some good young kids filling in." Depth may be something of a problem for the Apaches, but the new JV players fit well with the Apaches' needs. Three sophomores will start in tomorrow's game.

Among the players returning whom DiMalante will be counting on are Blair Lewis and Andrew Policky, who alternated time at running back last year and played cornerback on defense. Either is capable of catching a ball out of the backfield, or shifting to wide receiver if need be. Quarterback Richard Searing, who started nine games last year, is also back. "Richard's leadership is really surfacing, and we're happy to see it," says DiMalante. Protecting Searing will be the job of an offensive line that will see some familiar faces again in red and gold. Center John Argo, guard David Covarrubias, and tackle Scott Wiegand, who will be one of the most heavily recruited offensive linemen on the west coat, will return to make the O-line the strongest part of the Apaches' game. Returning to anchor the defense are S Hassan Abdul-Malik, LB Charles Leonardis, and DE Omar Velasquez. Last year's narrow playoff-missing season was a bitter letdown to Arcadia fans, but several games could have gone either way, including narrow losses to Baldwin Park, Trabuco Hills, and Pasadena. "The kids have worked hard," according to DiMalante, who adds, "We have high expectations, but we'll take one game at a time." By the way...any USC Trojan fans see a quick young linebacker by the name of Sultan Abdul-Malik help hold #5 Florida State to only two touchdowns and almost pull off an upset?! Hmmm...where'd he learn that?

One program that continues to grow, improve, and impress is Lew Stueck's at La Salle. The Lancers went from subaverage to mediocre to dominant in record time, and last year's share of the league title served notice that 1995 was not a fluke, and the Lancers are here to stay. Scholar-athletes Ryan Garcia and Anthony Tarne, both All-CIF selections, are gone. Garcia is at Dartmouth and Tarne is at Claremont. Coach Stueck called the duo "two real quality players." However, there are other quality players who are still here. David Taylor has moved through the ranks of wingback to fullback, and will now take over Garcia's spot at tailback, much the way that Garcia himself once did, following a Rafael Lazcano injury. Two-year starters Dan Sheridan (FB/LB), John Maust (OT/DT), Mark Perez (G/DT), and John Wickhem (E/OLB) are all returning. J.R. Davidson is penciled in as the starting wingback, and John Escandon will be at cornerback as well as backing up Taylor at tailback.

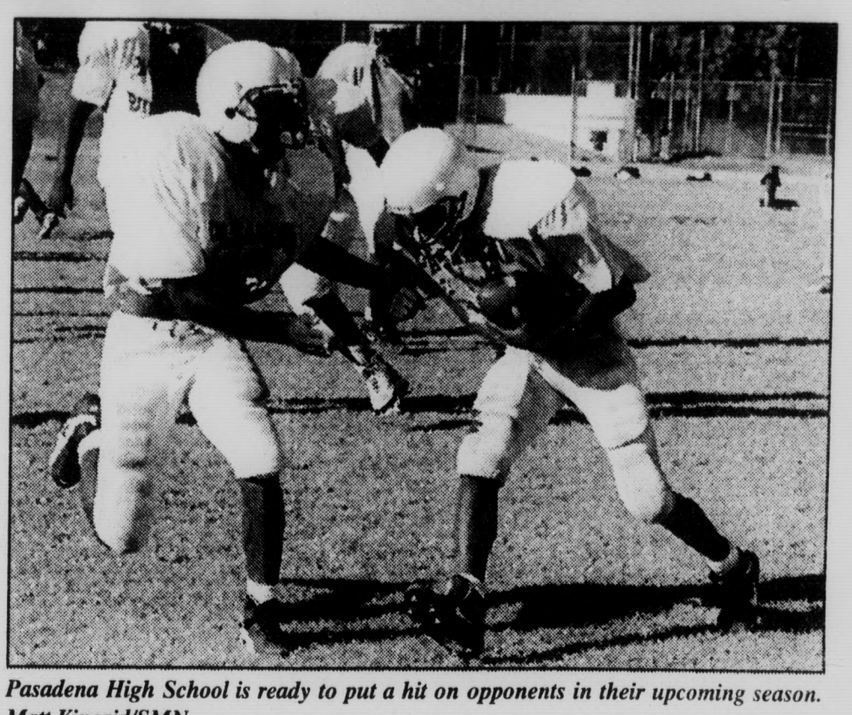
Last year, the Lancers got the short end of a coin toss after tying for the Santa Fe League title with Cathedral and Salesian, who ended up having to forfeit their share of the title, but still participated in the playoffs. The two weeks' practices have "gone very well," according to Stueck, who says his goal for the team is "to do things right and improve every week."

Meanwhile, across town (Yes, I know La Salle isn't actually IN Sierra Madre, but come on! It's only across the street) the Maranatha Minutemen are preparing to start a new season with a new head coach. Bill Gableman is stepping into that role, replacing Keith Patefield. Gableman has been at Maranatha for nine years, coaching Jr. Varsity and Varsity football. Maranatha, too, lost some key players, but they will be returning 13 lettermen. Some of the key players Gableman will be counting on include C/LB Adrian Macauley, OL Justin Weir, OL/LB Jeremy Brascia, and WR/CB Steve Gomez.

The Minutemen will be trying to improve on last year's 4-6 record, which included a 1-3 mark in Alpha League competition. Gableman notes that his team is small (in number, not size) but notes that they are working hard and says, "If we give a great effort and make sure we know what to do, we'll play well." His main goal for the season is a winning year at Maranatha, but he reserves the right to modify the goal to include a playoff title or a league championship, if things start out well!

Pasadena coach Jack Loos was unavailable as of press time. The Bulldogs are coming off of a season of ups and downs, including a narrow victory over Arcadia, and a huge comeback against Muir at the Rose Bowl in last year's Turkey Tussle, only to lose in the last minutes after rallying to tie the game. We'll talk to Jack this week and get the skinny on what to expect from the Bulldogs.

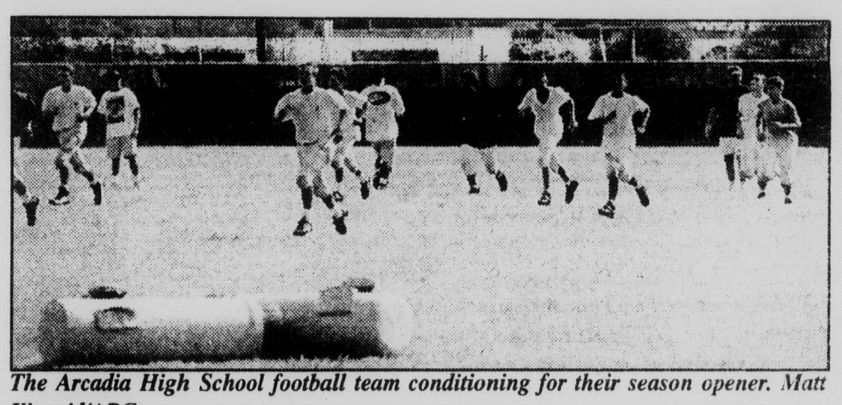
So, putting it altogether, what's happening in Foothill Football? Since you asked, and since I'm not afraid to be wrong... First, La Salle: Lew Stueck doesn't just coach a team; he has implemented a system, and the kids coming up through that system have learned it well. They keep their heads in the game, and he's not afraid to use young players, so when some of them become juniors and seniors, they're experienced and game-ready. I'm not a gambling man (for the purposes of this article) but I'd have to bet the Lancers will once again finish atop the Santa Fe League pile. Arcadia: It's tough to lose nine offensive starters, and it's a brutal league. Some of the returning players are tough as nails, though. I remember Andrew Policky going in to replace an ineligible Matthis Ward against a dominant Peninsula team two years ago in the playoffs. As a sophomore, Policky scrambled and fought his way for maximum yardage on every play. Now he's a senior with a lot more playing time under his belt. What's he capable of running behind Wiegand, Argo, and Covarrubias? Or Blair Lewis who broke several big plays last year. I have a hard time picking against Muir in the Pacific League, but I fully expect Arcadia to return to playoff status and challenge every team they play. Finally, Maranatha: Probably, the most underrated position in football is offensive line. Everyone knows when the quarterback is injured, to adjust their picks. Few people know that if you're missing a center and a tackle, it's just as bad for your team. The O-Line is all that stands between the defensive front seven and the quarterback, or the running back. The most encouraging thing to me about Maranatha football? The return of Brascia, Weir, and Macauley to the line. Some of those six losses could have gone the other way. Gableman is aiming for a winning season; I'll go one step further: I say the Minutemen can win 3 or even 4 Alpha League games and fight their way into the playoffs.



Pasadena High School is ready to put a hit on opponents in their upcoming season. Matt Kincaid/SMN



The LaSalle football team is tuning up and hope that they have a very sucessful season this year. Matt Kincaid/SMN



The Arcadia High School football team conditioning for their season opener. Matt Kincaid/ARC

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Pat Farmer, founder and director of Pacific Dance Centre, chooses her instructors very carefully. Foremost, they must possess the love of children and dance as well as superb dance technique. The personality of the studio is one of nurturing, positivity, warmth, humor, encouragement and motivation. Ms. Farmer explains that she is strict about the discipline of dance but never allows intimidation in her or her instructor's teaching techniques. She believes students learn best in a positive environment.

Performance opportunities are numerous. Watch for notices for upcoming October auditions.

Pacific Dance Centre is located at 7 Kersting Court in Sierra Madre. For more information and to receive registration information, please call (626) 355-3665.

Dream House

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window to let in the sun, if desired. It it's *not* desired, the vertical blinds are also opened and shut with the touch of a button. The house is also equipped with a security system. The floor is heated aluminum (push-button operated), and the carpets are a pretty shade of blue-silver.

The stairway to the second floor is not suspended, yet the gaps between the steps are not filled in. The result is that the stairway doesn't block your view of the rest of the house. Three of the four bedrooms are upstairs. The upstairs family room has a fireplace, as do the master bedroom and living room, and is also wired for surround sound. The master bedroom also comes with a large walk-in closet, a two-person Jacuzzi tub in the bathroom, a glass-enclosed shower (with two shower heads) also in the bathroom, as well as light inlaid in the mirror.

The skylight is also illuminated, and neon highlights fill and surround the house at night. There are two outdoor balconies, one of which has been retrofitted and can hold a spa. There is also a treetop view from all points upstairs, leading to the description of the balcony "secluded and the perfect retreat to relax and enjoy the view, or for entertaining."

What have I left out? Circular steel columns with lights inside stand from floor to ceiling, the black cabinets are tastefully simple in the kitchen, and the heating and air conditioning is in three separate zones. The square footage of the house is just over 3,200, and the lot size is 6,955 square feet. Trees, flowers, and plants compliment the house from the outside, and the list price of $578,000 is considered a bargain by Rose, who estimates that "The house would have sold for $650,000 anywhere else." Yes, you can live better in Sierra Madre while saving money, and stay in the village! An evening open house is planned to showcase the lighting effects. Treat yourself to a view of this architectural and design masterpiece. Reni Rose, the owner's representative, can be reached at (626) 355-1600 or (626) 584-4165 (voice mail).